

(D) the development or procurement schedule for the program or project;

(E) an assessment of the cost, schedule, and performance of the program or project as it relates to the program baseline for the program or project, as of the date of the submission of the report, and the original program baseline for such program or project, if such baselines are not the same;

(F) the technology readiness level of each critical technology that is part of the program or project;

(G) whether or not the program or project is redundant or overlaps with the efforts of another military department; and

(H) the capability gap that the program or project is being developed or procured to fulfill.

(4) A classified annex that contains the items described in subparagraphs (A) through (H) of paragraph (3) for each classified program or project on the list required by paragraph (2).

(Added Pub. L. 118–31, div. A, title XVI, § 1682(a), Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 614.)

**§ 503.<sup>1</sup> Annual assessment of budget with respect to electromagnetic spectrum operations capabilities**

At the same time as the President submits to Congress the budget of the President under section 1105(a) of title 31 for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees an assessment by the Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations Executive Committee as to whether sufficient funds are requested in such budget for anticipated activities in such fiscal year for each of the following:

(1) The development of an electromagnetic battle management capability for joint electromagnetic spectrum operations.

(2) The establishment and operation of associated joint electromagnetic spectrum operations cells.

(Added Pub. L. 118–31, div. A, title XVI, § 1682(a), Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 615.)

**§ 504.<sup>1</sup> Electromagnetic spectrum superiority implementation plan**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall be responsible for oversight of the electromagnetic superiority implementation plan.

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Concurrent with the submission of the budget of the President to Congress under section 1105(a) of title 31 for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029, the Chief Information Officer shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes the following with respect to the electromagnetic superiority implementation plan:

(1) The implementation plan in effect as of the date of the report, noting any revisions from the preceding plan.

(2) A statement of the elements of the implementation plan that have been achieved.

<sup>1</sup> Another section 503 is set out in chapter 31 of this title.

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(3) For each element that has been achieved, an assessment of whether the element is having its intended effect.

(4) For any element that has not been achieved, an assessment of progress made in achieving the element, including a description of any obstacles that may hinder further progress.

(5) For any element that has been removed from the implementation plan, a description of the reason for the removal of the element and an assessment of the impact of not pursuing achievement of the element.

(6) Such additional matters as the Chief Information Officer considers appropriate.

(c) ELECTROMAGNETIC SUPERIORITY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN DEFINED.—In this section, the term “electromagnetic superiority implementation plan” means the Electromagnetic Superiority Implementation Plan signed by the Secretary of Defense on July 15, 2021, and any successor plan. (Added Pub. L. 118–31, div. A, title XVI, § 1682(a), Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 615.)

**§ 505.<sup>1</sup> Electromagnetic Spectrum Enterprise Operational Lead for Joint Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall establish an Electromagnetic Spectrum Enterprise Operational Lead for Joint Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations (in this section referred to as the “operational lead”) at the United States Strategic Command. The operational lead shall report to the Commander of the United States Strategic Command.

(b) FUNCTION.—The operational lead shall be responsible for synchronizing, assessing, and making recommendations to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff with respect to the readiness of the combatant commands to conduct joint electromagnetic spectrum operations.

(c) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—Concurrent with the submission of the budget of the President to Congress under section 1105(a) of title 31 for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029, the Chairman, acting through the operational lead, shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the following:

(1) Progress made in achieving full operational capability to conduct joint electromagnetic spectrum operations and any impediments to achieving such capability.

(2) The readiness of the combatant commands to conduct such operations.

(3) Recommendations for overcoming any deficiencies in the readiness of the combatant commands to conduct such operations and any material gaps contributing to such deficiencies.

(4) Such other matters as the Chairman considers important to ensuring that the combatant commands are capable of conducting such operations.

(Added Pub. L. 118–31, div. A, title XVI, § 1682(a), Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 616.)

<sup>1</sup> Another section 505 is set out in chapter 31 of this title.