

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1960, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. BLUMENAUER OF OREGON**

At the end of subtitle C of title II, insert the following:

**1 SEC. 241. REPORT ON ALTERNATIVES TO THE BALLISTIC  
2 MISSILE SUBMARINE PLAN OF THE NAVY.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

4 (1) The fiscal 2014 long-range shipbuilding  
5 plan of the Navy states that, under current budget  
6 assumptions, Ohio-class replacement submarine con-  
7 struction would require “nearly \$6 billion more per  
8 year than historical funding levels” and that, under  
9 current budget assumptions and not accounting for  
10 sequestration, the program “will take away from  
11 construction of other ships in the battle force such  
12 as attack submarines, destroyers, aircraft carriers  
13 and amphibious warfare ships. The resulting battle  
14 force will not meet the requirements of the [2012  
15 Navy Force Structure Assessment] and will there-  
16 fore not be sufficient to implement the [Defense  
17 Strategic Guidance]. In addition, there will be sig-  
18 nificant impact to the shipbuilding industrial base.”.

1           (2) The Commander of the United States Stra-  
2           tegic Command, General Robert Kehler, testified on  
3           May 9 before the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces  
4           of the Committee on Armed Services of the House of  
5           Representatives that the ultimate number of ballistic  
6           missile submarines required “is still an open ques-  
7           tion”.

8           (b) REPORT.—

9           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after  
10          the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
11          of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of the  
12          Navy and in the context of existing and pending nu-  
13          clear weapons employment strategies, shall submit to  
14          the congressional defense committees a report on  
15          each of the following alternatives to the plan of the  
16          Navy to build 12 ballistic missile submarines to sup-  
17          port the nuclear deterrent of the Navy:

18                 (A) An alternative regarding purchasing  
19                 fewer such submarines (including purchasing,  
20                 10, 8, or fewer submarines).

21                 (B) An alternative regarding deploying  
22                 more missiles per submarine.

23                 (C) An alternative regarding developing  
24                 different submarine designs.

1                   (D) An alternative regarding changing  
2                   submarine patrol and basing practices.

3                   (2) MATTERS INCLUDED.—The report under  
4                   paragraph (1) shall consider both the estimated  
5                   costs of each alternative described in such paragraph  
6                   and the ability of the alternative to meet existing  
7                   and pending military requirements.

