

AMENDMENT TO
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At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . ACAS-X ACTION PLAN.**

2 (a) **ACAS-X ACTION PLAN.**—

3 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days
4 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
5 retary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on
6 Armed Services of the House of Representatives and
7 Senate an action plan for advancing the deployment
8 of the Airborne Collision Avoidance System-X (in
9 this section referred to as “ACAS-X”), ACAS-Xa,
10 ACAS-Xr, ACAS-Xo, ACAS-Xu, ACAS-sXu,
11 ACAS-Xp.

12 (2) **CONTENTS.**—In developing the action plan
13 under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall include—

14 (A) a strategic roadmap for the deploy-
15 ment of ACAS-X technology, including steps
16 required for widespread adoption among mili-
17 tary aircraft;

1 (B) actions and funding necessary to com-
2 plete any applicable research, development, test-
3 ing, evaluation, and standards development
4 needed to support the certification of such tech-
5 nology;

6 (C) ACAS-X interoperability consider-
7 ations for aircraft operators (including rotor-
8 craft operators) equipped with ADS-B Out and
9 ADS-B In equipment;

10 (D) an assessment of safety benefits for
11 aircraft operators equipping with such tech-
12 nology; and

13 (E) any recommendations for administra-
14 tive or legislative action, as determined appro-
15 priate by the Secretary, to advance such tech-
16 nology deployment.

17 (3) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary may
18 take actions, as appropriate, to implement the action
19 plan developed under paragraph (1).

20 (4) BRIEFING.—Not later than 30 days after
21 the date on which the Secretary submits the action
22 plan under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall pro-
23 vide to the Committees on Armed Services of the
24 House of Representatives and Senate a briefing on

1 the contents of such action plan and any prospective
2 actions to implement such plan.

3 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) The term “ADS–B In” means onboard avi-
5 onics equipment that receives and processes Auto-
6 matic Dependent Surveillance–Broadcast trans-
7 missions that are broadcast in accordance with sec-
8 tions 91.225 and 91.227 of title 14, Code of Federal
9 Regulations (or any successor regulations), and
10 other aviation advisory information from ground sta-
11 tions, that provides the aircraft with awareness to
12 the location of other aircraft and traffic advisories.

13 (2) The term “ADS–B Out”—

14 (A) has the meaning given such term in
15 section 91.227 of title 14, Code of Federal Reg-
16 ulations; and

17 (B) includes equipment that broadcasts in-
18 formation from an aircraft in accordance with
19 sections 91.225 and 91.227 of such title 14 (or
20 any successor regulations).

