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At the end of subtitle F of title X, insert the following:

SEC. 10. PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE COST OF MILITARY COUNTERTERRORISM OPERATIONS.

Section 1090 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328) is amended—

(1) by inserting ““(a) AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION.—” before “The Secretary of Defense”; 

(2) by striking “each of the wars in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Syria” and inserting “each military counterterrorism operation conducted on or after September 18, 2001”;

(3) by adding at the end the following new sentence: “The Secretary shall ensure that all the information required to be posted under this subsection is updated by not later than 90 days after the last day of each fiscal year.”; and
(4) by adding at the end the following new subsections:

“(b) CALCULATION OF COSTS.—In order to calculate the cost of an operation for purposes of subsection (a), the Secretary shall include all of the following:

“(1) Amounts made available for overseas contingency operations.

“(2) The estimated interest on the debt incurred through borrowing to pay for such operations.

“(3) The estimated costs of lifelong medical and disability care for veterans of such operations.


“(5) The increased personnel, procurement, contracting, and infrastructure costs associated with such operations.

“(c) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—For fiscal year 2023 and each subsequent fiscal year, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service and the Director of the Bureau of Economic Analysis, shall post on the public Internet website of the Department of Defense the costs to each
United States taxpayer of the overseas military footprint of the United States, including—

“(1) the costs of building, maintaining, staffing and operating all overseas military bases and installations;

“(2) the personnel costs, including compensation, housing and health care, for all members of the Armed Forces deployed overseas at any point throughout the fiscal year;

“(3) the costs paid to contractors providing goods and services in support of overseas military bases, installations, and operations;

“(4) the costs of conducting all overseas military operations, including operations conducted by United States Armed Forces, operations conducted using unmanned weapons systems, covert operations, and operations undertaken by, with, and through partner forces;

“(5) the costs of all overseas military exercises involving United States Armed Forces; and

“(6) the costs of all military training and assistance provided by the United States to overseas partner forces.

“(d) DISPLAY OF INFORMATION.—The information required to be posted under subsections (a) and (e) shall—
“(1) be posted directly on the website of the Department of Defense, in an accessible and clear format;

“(2) include corresponding documentation as links or attachments; and—

“(3) include, for each overseas operation—

“(A) both the total cost to each taxpayer, and the cost to each taxpayer for each fiscal year, of conducting the overseas operation;

“(B) a list of countries where the overseas operations have taken place; and

“(C) for each such country, both the total cost to each taxpayer, and the cost to each taxpayer for each fiscal year, of conducting the overseas operations in that country.”.