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At the end of subtitle D of title III, insert the following:

SEC. 3. COMPTROLLER GENERAL STUDY OF OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS FOR SERVICE DRESS UNIFORMS.

(a) REVIEW REQUIRED.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a study of the out-of-pocket costs to members of the Armed Forces for service dress uniforms.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The review under subsection (a) shall address each of the following:

(1) A description and comparison of the out-of-pocket cost to members of the Armed Forces for the purchase of service dress uniforms and service dress uniform items, broken down by—

(A) gender;

(B) Armed Force;

(C) enlisted; and

(D) officer.
(2) Stipends, in-kind provision of items, or other assistance provided by each service to personnel to offset cost of service dress uniforms.

(3) A comparison of the out-of-pocket cost for purchase and maintenance of service and service dress uniforms over one, five, 10, and 20-year periods.

(4) A description of service dress uniform changes directed by any of the Armed Forces over the past 10 years that have affected the out-of-pocket costs to members of the Armed Forces and the costs associated with such change, by gender.

(5) Any other information that the Comptroller General determines appropriate.

(c) BRIEFING AND REPORT.—

(1) BRIEFING.—Not later than April 15, 2020, the Comptroller General shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the preliminary findings of the study required under this section.

(2) REPORT.—Not later than September 30, 2020, the Comptroller General shall submit to the congressional defense committees a final report on the findings of such study.