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At the end of subtitle E of title VIII, add the following new section:

SEC. 8. PILOT PROGRAM TO TRANSITION DIGITALLY SECURED MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGIES.

(a) PROGRAM REQUIRED.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering shall carry out a pilot program to ensure the transition of digitally secured manufacturing technologies developed by a manufacturing innovation institute that is funded by the Department of Defense to covered defense contractors to promote the development of digitally secured manufacturing technologies to—

(1) enhance and secure the supply chain for such digitally secured manufacturing technologies for use in weapon systems; and

(2) ensure increased quality and decreased costs of such digitally secured manufacturing technologies.

(b) PARTNERSHIP.—Under the pilot program, the Under Secretary shall reimburse related costs to covered defense contractors to facilitate the transition of digitally secured manufacturing technologies.
secured manufacturing technologies from such manufac-
turing innovation institutes to such covered defense con-
tractors.

(e) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after
the last day of each fiscal year during which the pilot pro-
gram is operational, the Under Secretary of Defense for
Research and Engineering shall submit to the Committees
on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-
resentatives a briefing on participation in and the impact
of the pilot program.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term “covered defense contractor”
means a contractor in the defense industrial base
that—

(A) manufactures and delivers aircraft,
ships, vehicles, weaponry, or electronic systems;
or

(B) provides services, such as logistics or
engineering support, to the Department of De-
fense.

(2) The term “digitally secured manufacturing
technology” means an existing or experimental man-
ufacturing technology determined by the Under Sec-
retary of Defense for Research and Engineering to
meet the needs of the Department of Defense.
(e) **TERMINATION.**—The pilot program established under this section shall terminate 3 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(f) **INCREASE.**—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for research, development, test, and evaluation, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, for Manufacturing Technology Program, line 051 is hereby increased by $3,000,000.

(g) **OFFSET.**—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for operation and maintenance, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, for Office of the Secretary of Defense, line 540 is hereby reduced by $3,000,000.