AMENDMENT TO

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Page 409, after line 2, insert the following new section:

1	SEC. 10 STUDY ON NATIONAL SECURITY IMPACT OF
2	PRIVATIZATION OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL.
3	(a) Limitation; Study.—None of the funds author-
4	ized to be appropriated or otherwise made available by this
5	or any other Act may be obligated or expended to transfer
6	the performance of air traffic control functions from per-
7	formance by employees of the Federal Aviation Adminis-
8	tration to performance by employees of any non-govern-
9	ment entity until the Secretary of Defense completes an
10	assessment and study of the effect of any such transfer
11	on the national security of the United States.
12	(b) Report to Congress.—Not later than 180 days
13	after the date of enactment of an Act authorizing the
14	transfer of air traffic control functions to a non-govern-
15	ment entity, and every 180 days thereafter until the trans-
16	fer is complete, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to
17	Congress a report on the assessment and study conducted

1	under subsection (a). Such report shall include each of the
2	following:
3	(1) A description of the current volume of
4	usage of the national airspace system by the Depart-
5	ment of Defense and national security agencies as a
6	percentage of total air traffic.
7	(2) An assessment of whether and when there
8	are unique or peak periods that the percentage iden-
9	tified in paragraph (1) increases and how such peri-
10	ods may need to be accommodated by any non-gov-
11	ernment entity employing individuals performing air
12	traffic control functions.
13	(3) The current frequency of selective usage of
14	the national airspace system by the Department of
15	Defense and national security agencies to the exclu-
16	sion of commercial or general aviation needs.
17	(4) A description of any allowances required to
18	address high-tempo contingencies within the national
19	airspace system.
20	(5) A description of any mechanisms, proce-
21	dural and physical, that need to be in place to en-
22	sure the current level of air traffic control capability
23	and to avoid any degradation of such capability.
24	(6) The location of airspace that is most com-
25	monly used (highest density) for national security

1	purposes and any unique technological or manning
2	requirements that such airspace entails.
3	(7) An assessment of whether there are any
4	unique military capabilities that require specialized
5	air traffic control management and how current per-
6	sonnel are trained in procedures to accommodate
7	such capabilities.

