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OFFERED BY MR. DONALDS OF FLORIDA

At the end of subtitle C of title XXXI, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 31____. REPORT ON USE OF ADVANCED NUCLEAR RE-**
2 **ACTORS TO BOLSTER ENERGY CAPABILITIES**
3 **OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall
5 evaluate the feasibility and advisability of using advanced
6 nuclear reactors to bolster the operational energy capabili-
7 ties, installation energy capabilities, and expeditionary en-
8 ergy capabilities of the Department of Defense.

9 (b) ELEMENTS.—The evaluation under subsection
10 (a) shall include consideration of how advanced nuclear
11 reactors may be used—

12 (1) to provide reliable power to sustain military
13 operations, support forward operating bases and
14 multi-domain operations, and power energy-intensive
15 military technologies;

16 (2) to provide district heat for military quar-
17 ters, hospitals, or other relevant facilities of the De-
18 partment of Defense;

1 (3) to generate electricity to power military in-
2 stallations, including facilities on such installations
3 such as military hospitals, communications centers,
4 and data centers; and

5 (4) to provide logistical support and
6 sustainment for expeditionary forces in austere envi-
7 ronments, including for natural disaster response op-
8 erations and humanitarian aid missions.

9 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after the date
10 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
11 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-
12 port on the results of the evaluation conducted under sub-
13 section (a).

14 (d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “ad-
15 vanced nuclear reactor” includes—

16 (1) advanced nuclear reactors derived from the
17 Project Pele initiative; and

18 (2) other advanced nuclear reactor designs that
19 have not been evaluated under such initiative.

