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OFFERED BY MR. GOLDMAN OF NEW YORK

At the end of subtitle C of title XVIII, insert the following:

SEC. 18. ESTABLISHMENT OF UNITED STATES-ISRAEL DESALINATION COMMISSION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Energy, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of State, shall establish a bilateral cooperative commission with Israel to coordinate and support the research and development of desalination technologies, including coordination with the U.S. Israel Energy Center, Israel-U.S. Binational Industrial Research and Development, and other relevant entities, as determined appropriate by the commission.

(b) MEETINGS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the commission shall convene its first meeting and shall meet quarterly thereafter.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than two years after the date on which the Commission first meets, the Commission shall submit to Congress a report on the progress of the
commission to coordinate, encourage, and elevate desalination innovation, including the economic and environmental efficiency of the desalination technological process, to create a sustainable source of fresh water for the United States and Israel and to minimize the risk of conflict based on access to fresh water.