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At the end of subtitle B of title III, add the following new section:

SEC. 3. PRIZES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AGENT TO COMBAT CYANOBABTERIAL HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOMS.

(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment and the Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, may carry out a program to award cash prizes and other types of prizes that the Secretary determines appropriate to recognize outstanding achievements in the development of an agent to combat cyanobacterial harmful algal blooms with the potential for application to the performance of the projects of the Army Corps of Engineers.

(b) COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS.—A program under subsection (a) shall use a competitive process for the selection of recipients of cash prizes. The process shall include the widely-advertised solicitation of submissions of research results, technology developments, and prototypes.
(c) LIMITATIONS.—The following limitations shall apply to a program under subsection (a):

(1) No prize competition may result in the award of a prize with a fair market value of more than $5,000,000.

(2) No prize competition may result in the award of more than $1,000,000 in cash prizes without the approval of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment.

(3) No prize competition may result in the award of a solely nonmonetary prize with a fair market value of more than $10,000 without the approval of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment.

(d) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER AUTHORITY.—A program under subsection (a) may be carried out in conjunction with or in addition to the exercise of any other authority of the Department of Defense.

(e) USE OF PRIZE AUTHORITY.—Use of prize authority under this section shall be considered the use of competitive procedures for the purposes of section 2304 of title 10, United States Code.
(f) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out a program under this section shall terminate on October 1, 2024.