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At the end of subtitle B of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 1. U.S.-ISRAEL WATER COLLABORATION STUDY.

(a) In General.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy shall submit to the relevant congressional committees a report on the feasibility of and best avenues for enhancing collaboration between the United States and Israel on advancing water conservation and drought mitigation methods and technologies. The report shall be prepared in collaboration with the Secretary of State, United States Agency for International Development, and other relevant stakeholders from the United States and Israel.

(b) Matters to Be Included.—The report required by subsection (a) shall specifically assess—

(1) the current extent of U.S.-Israel public-private collaboration on water conservation and drought mitigation methods and technologies, through BIRD Energy and other fora;

(2) the current extent of U.S.-Israel collaboration through academic institutions and consortia on
water conservation and drought mitigation methods
and technologies, through the US-Israel Energy
Center and other fora;

(3) the excess demand for grant funding for
water conservation and drought technology innova-
tion, as measured through applications BIRD En-
ergy and the US-Israel Energy Center;

(4) the general potential for enhanced collabor-
ation between the United States and Israel in col-
laborating on water conservation and drought miti-
gation, including advanced water reuse and recy-
ing, water data collection and use, clean and effi-
cient desalination, improved irrigation and water
piping, and related public awareness and education
efforts; and

(5) the best options and levels of resources
needed for building upon the success of BIRD En-
ergy, the US-Israel Energy Center, and other fora
for U.S.-Israel collaboration, with the goal of im-
proving and making available the water conservation
and drought mitigation methods and technologies
necessary to ensure reliable access to water in the
Middle East, the Western United States, and across
the globe, for the long term.