

AMENDMENT TO
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At the end of subtitle G of title X, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 10___. REPORT ON INITIATIVES OF DEPARTMENT OF**
2 **DEFENSE TO SOURCE LOCALLY AND REGION-**
3 **ALLY PRODUCED FOODS FOR INSTALLA-**
4 **TIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General
7 of the United States shall submit to the appropriate com-
8 mittees of Congress a report detailing—

9 (1) current procurement practices of the De-
10 partment of Defense regarding food for consumption
11 or distribution on installations of the Department;

12 (2) efforts by the Department of Defense to es-
13 tablish and strengthen “farm to base” initiatives to
14 source locally and regionally produced foods, includ-
15 ing seafood, for consumption or distribution at in-
16 stallations of the Department;

17 (3) efforts by the Department to collaborate
18 with relevant Federal agencies, including the De-

1 department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of
2 Agriculture, and the Department of Commerce, to
3 procure locally and regionally produced foods;

4 (4) opportunities where procurement of locally
5 and regionally produced foods would be beneficial to
6 members of the Armed Forces, their families, mili-
7 tary readiness by improving health outcomes, and
8 farmers near installations of the Department;

9 (5) barriers currently preventing the Depart-
10 ment from increasing procurement of locally and re-
11 gionally produced foods or preventing producers
12 from partnering with nearby installations of the De-
13 partment; and

14 (6) recommendations for how the Department
15 can improve procurement practices to increase offer-
16 ings of locally and regionally produced foods.

17 (b) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-
18 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate commit-
19 tees of Congress” means—

20 (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the
21 Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-
22 tation, and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition,
23 and Forestry of the Senate; and

24 (2) the Committee on Armed Services, the
25 Committee on Natural Resources, and the Com-

1 mittee on Agriculture of the House of Representa-
2 tives.

