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At the end of subtitle B of title III, insert the following:

 1 SEC. 3____. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT ON ACCEL

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 ERATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF ENVIRON

 3
 MENTAL CLEANUP OF VIEQUES AND

 4
 CULEBRA, PUERTO RICO.

5 (a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days 6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the 7 congressional defense committees a report containing the 8 9 results of a study conducted by the Comptroller General on the status of the Federal cleanup and decontamination 10 11 process in the island-municipalities of Vieques and 12 Culebra, Puerto Rico.

13 (b) CONTENTS.—The study shall include a com-14 prehensive analysis of the following:

(1) The pace of ongoing cleanup and environmental restoration efforts in the former military
training sites in Vieques and Culebra.

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(2) Any potential alternatives to accelerate the
 completion of such efforts, including their associated
 costs.

4 (3) Any effects such alternatives might have on
5 the public health and safety of island residents and
6 steps that can be taken to mitigate risks.

7 (4) The views of residents of Vieques and
8 Culebra regarding actions that should be taken to
9 achieve the cleanup process more expeditiously and
10 successfully.

(5) Any adverse health outcomes resulting from
toxic matter at the sites or cleanup procedure in and
avenues to compensate local communities for economic losses and medical costs incurred.

(6) The economic impact that the cleanup process has had on local residents due to restricted use
of land for tourism and other activities and avenues
to compensate local communities for economic losses.

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