AMENDMENT TO

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At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following:

1	SEC. 7 STUDY ON TOOLS TO DIAGNOSE TRAUMATIC
2	BRAIN INJURY IN MEMBERS OF THE ARMED
3	FORCES.
4	(a) Study Required; Elements.—The Secretary
5	of Defense shall conduct a study of commercially available
6	diagnostic tools that screen for traumatic brain injury (in
7	this section referred to as "TBI") and may be used by
8	forward-deployed units and in combat zones. Such study
9	shall include the following elements:
10	(1) Whether such tools can distinguish mild
11	traumatic brain injury from moderate or severe TBI.
12	(2) How such tools could be used with other ap-
13	proved diagnostics (including neuroimaging biomark-
14	ers used in computed tomography or magnetic reso-
15	nance imaging, blood-based biomarkers,
16	electrophysiological biomarkers, oculomotor tracking
17	systems, and integrated measures of physiological
18	deficits), to enhance the health, survival, and long-

1	term conditions of members and former members of
2	the Armed Forces.
3	(3) How such tools would improve military
4	readiness and address concerns regarding the grow-
5	ing medical burden of TBI.
6	(b) Report.—Not later than 90 days after the date
7	of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
8	shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-
9	port containing the following:
10	(1) The results of the study.
11	(2) Determinations of the Secretary regarding
12	whether to procure and use such tools in addition to
13	other tools already used in the Department of De-
14	fense to screen for TBI.
15	(3) Recommendations of the Secretary regard-
16	ing legislation that may by necessary to action re-
17	garding such tools.