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

1 SEC. 7. NATIONAL ACADEMIES STUDY ON PREVALENCE
2 AND MORTALITY OF CANCER AMONG INDIVIDUALS WHO SERVED AS ACTIVE DUTY AIR-
3 CREW IN THE ARMED FORCES.
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5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs
6 shall enter into an agreement with the National Academies
7 of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (in this section re-
8ferred to as the “National Academies”), under which the
9 National Academies shall conduct a study on the preva-
10 lence and mortality of cancers among covered individuals.
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12 (b) STUDY.—The study required under subsection (a)
13 shall—
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15 (1) identify exposures associated with military
16 occupations of covered individuals, including relating
17 to chemicals, compounds, agents, and other phe-
18 nomena;
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20 (2) review the literature to determine associations between exposures referred to in paragraph (1)
and the incidence or prevalence of overall cancer morbidity, overall cancer mortality, and increased incidence or prevalence of—

(A) brain cancer;
(B) colon and rectal cancers;
(C) kidney cancer;
(D) lung cancer;
(E) melanoma skin cancer;
(F) non-Hodgkin lymphoma;
(G) pancreatic cancer;
(H) prostate cancer;
(I) testicular cancer;
(J) thyroid cancer;
(K) urinary bladder cancer; and
(L) other cancers as determine appropriate by the National Academies; and
(3) determine, to the extent possible, the prevalence of and mortality from the cancers specified in paragraph (2) among covered individuals by using available sources of data, which may include—

(A) health care and other administrative databases of the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Defense, and the individual Services, respectively;
(B) the national death index maintained by the National Center for Health Statistics of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and


(e) REPORT.—At the conclusion of the study required under subsection (a), the National Academies shall submit to the Secretary and to the Committees on Veterans’ Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report containing the results of the study described in subsection (b).

(d) COVERED INDIVIDUAL DEFINED.—In this section, the term “covered individual” means an individual who served on active duty in the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps as an aircrew member of a fixed-wing aircraft, including as a pilot, navigator, weapons systems operator, aircraft system operator, or any other crew member who regularly flew in a fixed-wing aircraft.