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OFFERED BY MR. PHILLIPS OF MINNESOTA

At the end of subtitle A of title X, insert the following:

SEC. 10. ANNUAL COMPTROLLER GENERAL RESTATEMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BUDGET RELATIVE TO OTHER SOCIAL SPENDING OPTIONS.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) defense is a necessary and critical budget priority for the United States; and

(2) defense budget figures are so large that they are difficult to comprehend in dollar terms, making a cost/benefit analysis with other Federal budget items difficult.

(b) GAO REPORT.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Congress a report for each fiscal year that includes, for each program or account for which funds are authorized to be appropriated by the National Defense Authorization Act for that fiscal year in
an amount equal to or in excess of $10,000,000, each of
the following:

(1) Based on the average national tuition at
community colleges, the total number of two-year as-
associates degrees the tuition for which could be paid
with the amount of funds authorized to be appro-
priated for the program or account.

(2) Based on the average salary for an entry
level nurse employed by the Department of Veterans
Affairs, the number of nurses’ salaries that could be
paid with the amount of funds authorized to be ap-
propriated for the program or account.

(3) Based on the average national salary for a
pre-Kindergarten daycare teacher, the number of
pre-Kindergarten daycare teachers’ salaries that
could be paid with the amount of funds authorized
to be appropriated for the program or account.