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Add at the end of subtitle G of title XXVIII the following new section:

1SEC. 2863. PERMITTING MACHINE ROOM-LESS ELEVATORS2IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FACILITIES.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall 4 issue modifications to all relevant construction and facili-5 ties specifications to ensure that machine room-less elevators (MRLs) are not prohibited in buildings and facili-6 ties throughout the Department of Defense, including 7 modifications to the Unified Facilities Guide Specifica-8 9 tions (UFGS), the Naval Facilities Engineering Command Interim Technical Guidance, and the Army Corps of Engi-10 11 neers Engineering and Construction Bulletin.

12 (b) CONFORMING TO BEST PRACTICES.—In addition 13 to the modifications required under subsection (a), the 14 Secretary may issue further modifications to conform gen-15 erally with commercial best practices as reflected in the 16 safety code for elevators and escalators as issued by the 17 American Society of Mechanical Engineers. (c) DEADLINES.—The Secretary shall promulgate in terim MRL standards not later than 180 days after the
date of the enactment of this Act, and shall issue final
and formal MRL specifications not later than 1 year after
the date of the enactment of this Act.

6 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date 7 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue a 8 report to the congressional defense committees on the inte-9 gration and utilization of MRLs, including information on 10 quantity, location, problems, and successes.

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