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Offered by Ms. Ross of North Carolina

Add at the end of subtitle E of title X the following:

SEC. 1051. DISCLOSURE OF RANSOM PAYMENTS.

(a) Definitions.—In this section:

(1) Covered entity.—The term “covered entity”—

(A) means a public or private entity that receives Federal defense funds; and

(B) does not include an individual.

(2) Information system.—The term “information system” has the meaning given such term in section 3502 of title 44, United States Code.

(3) Ransom.—The term “ransom” means money or other thing of value demanded by an actor from a covered entity or individual after such actor gains control of an information system of such entity or individual.

(4) Secretary.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Defense.

(b) Disclosure Required.—Not later than 48 hours after a covered entity pays a ransom, the covered
entity shall disclose to the Secretary, in accordance with subsection (b), such payment.

(c) CONTENTS.—A disclosure made under subsection (b) shall include, with respect to the ransom at issue, the following:

(1) The date on which such ransom was demanded.

(2) The date on which such ransom was paid.

(3) The amount of such ransom demanded.

(4) The amount of such ransom paid.

(5) An identification of the currency, including if cryptocurrency, used for payment of such ransom.

(6) Whether the covered entity that paid such ransom receives Federal funds.

(7) Any known information regarding the identity of the actor demanding such ransom.

(d) NONCOMPLIANCE.—The Secretary shall establish by regulation appropriate penalties for a covered entity that fails to make a disclosure required under subsection (b).

(e) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall publish on a publicly available website of the Department of De-
fense the information disclosed under subsection (b) during the preceding 1-year period, including the total dollar amount of ransoms paid by covered entities during such period.

(2) Exclusion of Identifying Information.—Information that reveals the identity of a covered entity that made a disclosure under subsection (b) shall be excluded from the information published under paragraph (1).