At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following new section:

SEC. 219. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR EJECTION SEAT RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2015 for aircraft procurement, Air Force, or research, development, test, and evaluation, Air Force, may be obligated or expended for the ejection seat reliability improvement program until the date on which the Secretary of the Air Force certifies to the congressional defense committees the following:

(1) A validated operational requirement has been approved to replace ejection seats for use with helmet mounted systems, including the joint helmet mounted cueing system.

(2) The Secretary has included funds in the budget of the Air Force to fully execute a program of record that may require research and develop-
ment, qualification, and procurement of the technolo-
gies needed to meet MIL–HDBK–516B.

(3) The Secretary will proceed in a full and open procurement process for such initiative and any other ejection seat program that provides the Air Force the greatest overall safety, performance, and cost benefit.