

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

1 **SEC. 2 __ . STUDY AND REPORT ON THE FEASIBILITY AND**
2 **ADVISABILITY OF CREATING A DEFENSE**
3 **MICROELECTRONICS AGENCY.**

4 (a) **STUDY AND REPORT REQUIRED.**—The Defense
5 Science Board shall—

6 (1) conduct a study on—

7 (A) the state of the microelectronics indus-
8 trial base as it relates to the Department of De-
9 fense;

10 (B) implementation of the recommenda-
11 tions made by the 2005 Defense Science Board
12 Task Force On High Performance Microchip
13 Supply;

14 (C) assessment of where the assured
15 microelectronics mission of the Department
16 should lie, in particular with research and engi-
17 neering or with acquisition and sustainment;
18 and

1 (D) the feasibility and advisability of cre-
2 ating a Defense Microelectronics Agency by ele-
3 vating the existing Defense Microelectronics ac-
4 tivity and consolidating all related functions
5 under this agency; and

6 (2) submit to the congressional defense commit-
7 tees a report, in writing, on the findings of the De-
8 fense Science Board with respect to the study con-
9 ducted under paragraph (1).

10 (b) ELEMENTS.—The study required by subsection
11 (a) shall include the following:

12 (1) ACQUISITION OF TRUSTED MICROELEC-
13 TRONIC COMPONENTS.—(A) Development of rec-
14 ommendations on how the Department of Defense
15 can develop a plan of action that encompasses both
16 short- and long-term technology, acquisition, and
17 manufacturing capabilities needed to assure ongoing
18 availability of supplies of trusted microelectronic
19 components.

20 (B) Identification and characterization of the
21 volume and scope of microelectronics that require
22 trusted sources.

23 (2) CONSOLIDATION.—(A) Review all Depart-
24 ment stakeholders with decisionmaking or procure-
25 ment authority for microelectronics.

1 (B) Determination of whether it is in the best
2 interests of national security to consolidate these ef-
3 forts and designate a single Department organiza-
4 tion with responsibility to maintain the focus on
5 microelectronic capabilities available to the Depart-
6 ment.

7 (c) BRIEFINGS.—Not later than May 1, 2020, the
8 Defense Science Board shall provide to the congressional
9 defense committees one or more briefings on the status
10 of the study required by subsection (a)(1), including any
11 preliminary findings and recommendations of the Defense
12 Science Board as a result of the study as of the date of
13 the briefing.

