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At the end of subtitle C of title III, add the following:

SEC. 3. ARMY ADVANCED SENSOR MANUFACTURING CENTER OF EXCELLENCE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The Secretary of the Army shall establish a Center of Excellence on Advanced Sensor Manufacturing at an arsenal (in this section referred to as the “Center”).

(b) PURPOSES.—The Center established in section (a) shall—

(1) support the efforts of the Army to implement advanced sensor manufacturing techniques and capabilities across the Army industrial facilities (as defined by section 4544(j) of title 10, United States Code);

(2) identify improvements to sustainment methods for component parts and other logistics needs;

(3) identify and implement appropriate embedded microelectronic enhancements to address cyber and other adverse threats to systems to ensure via-
bility of advanced sensor manufacturing within the
Army organic industrial base in consultation with
the Army Cyber Center of Excellence and other ap-
propriate government and private sector entities;
and

(4) aid in the procurement of advanced sensor
manufacturing equipment and support services in-
cluding training.

(c) ASSISTANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army
may use public-private partnerships and other trans-
actional activity pursuant to section 2371 of title 10,
United States Code, with covered entities to facili-
tate the development of advanced sensor manufac-
turing techniques in support of Army industrial fa-
cilities.

(2) TERMS OF PARTNERSHIPS AND AGREE-
MENTS.—Public-private partnerships and other trans-
actional activity under paragraph (1)—

(A) shall facilitate development and imple-
mentation of advanced sensor manufacturing
techniques and capabilities that support the
Army organic industrial base;

(B) may support necessary workforce de-
velopment and support efforts to sustain ad-
advanced sensor manufacturing in the Army organic industrial base;

(C) shall facilitate appropriate sharing of information in the adaptation of advanced sensor manufacturing into the Army organic industrial base; and

(D) shall facilitate implementation of appropriate cyber protections into advanced sensor manufacturing tools and techniques.

(d) DEFINITION OF COVERED ENTITY.—In this section, the term “covered entity” includes—

(1) community and technical colleges;

(2) research universities;

(3) State and local governments;

(4) economic development entities;

(5) non-profit technical associations in advanced manufacturing; and

(6) non-profit organizations with a focus on improving the defense industrial base.