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Add at the end of title LX the following new section:

SEC. 6013. REPORT ON SPACE DEBRIS AND LOW EARTH ORBIT SATELLITES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the National Space Council shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that includes—

(1) an assessment of the risks space debris orbiting the Earth imposes on night sky luminance, collision risk, radio interference, astronomical data loss by satellite streaks, and other potential factors relevant to space exploration, research, and national security; and

(2) the current and future impact of low Earth orbit satellites on night sky luminance and how such satellites may impact space exploration, research, and national security.

(b) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congressional committees” means—
(1) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives; and

(2) the Committee on Armed Services and Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate.