

SEC. __. INCREASE FOR HIGH-ALTITUDE LONG-ENDURANCE AIRCRAFT AND HIGH-ALTITUDE PSEUDO-SATELLITE PROTOTYPING.

The amount authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Defense-Wide, as specified in section 4201 and set forth in the funding table in section 4201, for Program Element 0604331D8Z, Rapid Prototyping Program, is hereby increased by \$5,000,000 for the development, prototyping, and demonstration of autonomous High-Altitude Long-Endurance Aircraft (HALE) and High-Altitude Pseudo-Satellites (HAPS) capable of providing resilient intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance, communications, and sensing capabilities in contested environments.