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Page 86, after line 23, insert the following:

SEC. 323. JOINT LOGISTICS CENTER, PINE BLUFF ARSENAL.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) In fiscal year 2006, Congress urged the Secretary of the Army to designate the Army Pine Bluff Arsenal, Arkansas, as the Center of Industrial and Technical Excellence for Chemical and Biological Defense.

(2) The Secretary subsequently signed the Center of Industrial and Technical Excellence designation on September 27, 2005.

(3) The specialized infrastructure and environmental permit capacity at the Pine Bluff Arsenal provides critical capability to manufacture, store, and distribute chemical-biological defense equipment.

(b) DESIGNATION OF JOINT LOGISTICS CENTER.—The Secretary of Defense shall designate a joint chemical-biological defense logistics distribution center at Pine Bluff Arsenal, Arkansas, to consolidate the joint chemical,
biological, radiological, and nuclear sustainment functions and provide enhanced military readiness for members of the Armed Forces. The mission and function of such center shall be defined by the joint program executive officer for chemical and biological defense and may encompass chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear sustainment functions for maintenance, storage, inspection, and distribution.