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At the end of subtitle B of title XVI, add the following new section:

SEC. 1614. REPORT ON POTENTIAL DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION MILITARY TRANSITION PROGRAM.

(a) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report assessing the feasibility of establishing a Defense Intelligence Polygraph Examination Military Transition Program for members of the Armed Forces transitioning to civilian employment.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) A review of the feasibility of establishing a program in the Department of Defense under which members of the Armed Forces with an active top secret security clearance that provides for access to sensitive compartmented information and a current counterintelligence scope polygraph examination can
be provided an opportunity to obtain an expanded scope polygraph (ESP) if the member receives a written offer of employment, subject to suitability or security vetting, with an element of the intelligence community or a contractor of such an element.

(2) The cost to the Department of Defense for implementing such program and whether such cost could be shared by other departments or agencies of the Federal Government or the private sector.

(3) The factors the Department needs to consider in determining whether such program would be viable.

(4) The obstacles that exist in implementing such program.

(5) Whether such a program could increase workforce diversity in the intelligence community.

(6) Whether such a program could increase or decrease retention among members of the Armed Forces serving in defense intelligence roles.

(7) Whether any changes are required to be made to policies of the Department or to Federal law to implement such a program.

(8) Identification of the current average length of time in the intelligence community to investigate and adjudicate an initial and a periodic update top
secret security clearance that provides for access to sensitive compartmented information and conduct an expanded scope polygraph.

(c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(1) the congressional defense committees; and

(2) the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate.