

AMENDMENT TO
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At the end of subtitle C of title II, add the following
new section:

1 SEC. 24__ . DEVELOPMENT OF GOVERNMENT SCIENCE AND
2 TECHNOLOGY CAPABILITIES STRATEGY.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
5 shall develop a strategy to maximize the Department’s
6 ability to leverage existing advanced scientific and techno-
7 logical capabilities from relevant civil Federal Government
8 research and development agencies, including the National
9 Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Department of
10 Energy, and National Science Foundation.

11 (b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy developed under sub-
12 section (a) shall include—

13 (1) a comprehensive list of advanced scientific
14 and technological capabilities that civil Federal Gov-
15 ernment research and development agencies provide
16 in carrying out their missions that also support the
17 national defense; and

18 (2) a plan to—

1 (A) streamline the Department's ability to
2 leverage civil Federal Government research and
3 development agency capabilities to augment the
4 advancement of national security-focused devel-
5 opment priorities;

6 (B) identify, in consultation with the heads
7 of civil Federal Government research and devel-
8 opment agencies, the civil agencies' policies on
9 reimbursable, non-reimbursable, and other ar-
10 rangements that shall guide the Department of
11 Defense's use of, collaboration on, or leveraging
12 of scientific and technological capabilities con-
13 ducted at such civil Federal agencies; and

14 (C) identify ways in which the Secretary of
15 Defense, in coordination with the heads of civil
16 Federal Government research and development
17 agencies, can support the strength and health
18 of research and development being carried out
19 at such civil agencies, including the preservation
20 and sustainment of the scientific and techno-
21 logical capabilities identified under paragraph
22 (1).

23 (c) REPORT.—After completion of the strategy re-
24 quired under subsection (a), but not later than 210 days
25 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary

1 of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense com-
2 mittees, the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
3 of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on
4 Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a
5 report on the strategy, which shall include—

- 6 (1) a summary of the strategy; and
7 (2) timelines for implementation of the strat-
8 egy.

