

SUBSTITUTE FOR THE AMENDMENT OFFERED BY
MR. AKIN OF MISSOURI
OFFERED BY Mr. Smith

At the appropriate place in title I, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 1___ . REQUIREMENT TO SET F-35 AIRCRAFT INITIAL**
2 **OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY DATES.**

3 (a) F-35A.—Not later than December 31, 2012, the
4 Secretary of the Air Force shall—

5 (1) establish the initial operational capability
6 date for the F-35A aircraft; and

7 (2) submit to the congressional defense commit-
8 tees a report on the details of such initial oper-
9 ational capability.

10 (b) F-35B AND F-35C.—Not later than December
11 31, 2012, the Secretary of the Navy shall—

12 (1) establish the initial operational capability
13 dates for the F-35B and F-35C aircraft; and

14 (2) submit to the congressional defense commit-
15 tees a report on the details of such initial oper-
16 ational capabilities for both variants.

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