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LOG ID	REV	MEMBER	MARKUP LOC	DESCRIPTION	MARKUP ACT
4733	0	Kiggans, Jennifer A.	СНМ	Directs the Department of Defense to report on expanding the use of Tailored Logistics Support Program (TLSP)-style contracts across the acquisition enterprise.	EB 1
4760	0	Finstad, Brad	СНМ	Expands Section 857 from FY23 NDAA to include a supply chain disclosure requirement for large-capacity batteries.	EB 1
4773	1	Rogers, Mike	СНМ	Requires a briefing on enterprise-wide opportunities to employ commercially available supply chain management software or services to improve DoD program supply chain management.	EB 1
4832	1	Wittman, Robert	СНМ	Expresses support for the work of Navy PEO Digital's Innovation Adoption Kit, directs a briefing from the Secretary of Defense by March 1, 2026, on formal innovation partnerships with venture firms across the Department.	EB 1
4853	0	Jackson, Ronny	СНМ	Requires a briefing on the Department's current and projected demands for critical minerals and rare earth elements and efforts to diversify sourcing requirements.	EB 1
4858	0	Jackson, Ronny	СНМ	Expresses support for the Department's efforts to realign focus on contract outcomes and requires a briefing on efforts to update contracting workforce performance measures based on contract outcomes.	EB 1
4864	0	Bell, Wesley	СНМ	Prohibits Department of Defense contracts with foreign-owned online tutoring services from China, Russia, Iran, and North Korea.	EB 1
4870	1	Jackson, Ronny	СНМ	Requires a report by the Comptroller General of the United States on readiness to support a national mobilization of the U.S. defense industrial base in the case of large-scale conflict.	EB 1
4872	1	Harrigan, Pat	СНМ	Amends the Section 1260H list of Chinese entities created in the Fiscal Year 2021 NDAA to include state-owned enterprises operating outside of China.	EB 1
4885	0	Goodlander, Maggie	СНМ	Requires reporting and accountability in the case of expenditures utilizing other transaction authority (OTA).	EB 1
4899	0	Finstad, Brad	СНМ	Preservation of Existing Thresholds for Critical Materials	EB 1
4907	0	Ryan, Patrick	СНМ	Directs the Comptroller General to report on current efforts to mitigate risks to the defense industrial base.	EB 1
4908	1	McGuire, John J.	СНМ	Directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to provide a report assessing the benefits of co-located manufacturing centers and industrial campuses for solid rocket motors.	EB 1

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4918	0	McGuire, John J.	СНМ	Requires a briefing on DoD's plans to support the domestic ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene industrial base to meet surge requirements for body armor.	EB 1
4929	1	Scott, Austin	СНМ	Requires the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing on the analysis of specified Chinese display technology companies to determine if these companies should be added as Military-Civil Fusion Contributors or labeled as military companies by the Department of Defense.	EB 1
4943	3	Mills, Cory	СНМ	Requires a briefing on DoD procurement of critical minerals and magnets manufactured in China and Russia through contracts valued at or below the simplified acquisition threshold.	EB 1
4944	0	Courtney, Joe	СНМ	Requires a report on the feasibility, structure, and potential impact of a point-based incentive system for defense contractors to increase the hiring of individuals with disabilities.	EB 1
4983	0	Courtney, Joe	СНМ	Requires the Secretary of Defense to conduct a yearly audit of the compliance of contractors of the Department of Defense with the 7-percent utilization goal for employment of qualified individuals with disabilities.	EB 1
4992	0	Ryan, Patrick	СНМ	Requires a report on follow-on production contracts or transactions under Other Transaction Authority (OTA) for Fiscal Years 2021-2025.	EB 1
5006	2	Norcross, Donald	СНМ	Requires a briefing from the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment on the timeliness of contracting officer communications and cooperation with contractors to resolve contract issues and avoid potential escalation into formal disputes.	EB 1
5034	0	Norcross, Donald	СНМ	Codifies the threshold for which programs must meet domestic content requirements at the level defined in Section 4210 of 10 USC as of January 1, 2025, to prevent the requirement from changing in the event of definition changes to Major Defense Acquisition Program.	EB 1
5093	0	Jackson, Ronny	СНМ	Establishes a consortium with the DOD and industry to expedite qualification of covered critical minerals.	EB 1
5119	0	Cisneros, Gilbert	СНМ	Requires a report on DoD requirements and current practices around listing small business subcontractors and their utilization.	EB 1
5122	0	DesJarlais, Scott	СНМ	Establishes preference for American companies in defense professional services contracts including those for engineering, architecture, design, financial consulting, legal advisory, program management, and expert services.	EB 1
5126	0	Messmer, Mark B.	СНМ	This amendment would modify the reporting language on Justifications for Change in Contracting.	EB 1
5133	0	Jackson, Ronny	СНМ	Requires a report on strategic material recovery for manufacturing rare earth elements and other critical materials for defense supply chains.	EB 1

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5199	1	Golden, Jared F.	СНМ	Amends USC Title 10 §4872 to add Molybdenum to the list of covered materials that are prohibited to protect against market manipulation by foreign dumping practices to ensure the domestic manufacturing processes that yield this critical equipment can compete effectively.	EB 1
5223	0	Goodlander, Maggie	СНМ	Directs the Department of Defense to establish a program that utilizes in-house or commercially available software and technologies to track and manage US critical mineral supply chain operations.	EB 1
5256	1	Wilson, Joe	СНМ	Requires a briefing on DoD efforts to support domestic critical mineral supply chains and advanced processing capabilities to extract critical minerals from mine waste streams.	EB 1
5298	2	Crow, Jason	СНМ	Requires report on the Department's use of block buys to more effectively promote a skilled workforce and reliable supply chains in the defense industrial base to meet DoD requirements.	EB 1
5302	0	Deluzio, Christopher R.	СНМ	Amends Chapter 271 of Title 10 USC to add a reporting requirement on significant price increases of products above certain thresholds.	EB 1
5303	1	Deluzio, Christopher R.	СНМ	GAO Report on impacts of Mergers and Acquisitions on the Defense Industry	EB 1
5344	1	Jacobs, Sara	СНМ	Establishes a 500-unit cap on DoD "prototype" Other Transaction Authority (OTA) contracts and requires that larger production runs shift to traditional contracting.	EB 1
5347	0	Vindman, Eugene Simon	СНМ	Requires a briefing on the utility of Embedded Molecular Data (EMD) tech for authenticating and tracking defense-critical items.	EB 1
5348	1	Jacobs, Sara	СНМ	Bars the Department from allowing Other Transaction Authority (OTA) prototype deals to transition into full-scale Major Defense Acquisition Programs unless the project first clears the MDAP oversight and review process required under 10 U.S.C. §2430.	EB 1
5377	3	Moulton, Seth	СНМ	Amends Section on functional support to PEO to clarify direct reporting requirement for PEO staff	EB 1
5395	1	Kiggans, Jennifer A.	СНМ	Directs the Office of Strategic Capitol to provide a briefing on efforts to streamline loan and grant processing systems and align data practices with commercial standards.	EB 1
5399	0	Tran, Derek	СНМ	Requires the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing on any material changes the Department plans to make or has already made to any Office of Small Business Programs elements, including the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization.	EB 1
5421	2	Crank, Jeff	СНМ	Directs the Undersecretary of Defense for Acquisitions and Sustainment to provide a briefing on the lessons learned in the integration and implementation of the Supply Chain Risk Evaluation Environment program thus far and plans for continued use or expansion of use of the tool.	EB 1

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5443	1	Elfreth, Sarah	СНМ	Requires the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency to provide a report on the use of commercial technology to comply with required analysis of the financial statements of all prospective contractors.	EB 1
5444	0	Garamendi, John	СНМ	Requires a briefing on the impact of reciprocal defense procurement agreements on the defense industrial base.	EB 1
5457	0	Scott, Austin	СНМ	Directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing on the impact to veteran owned small businesses by requiring justification and approval documents for sole source award contracts.	EB 1
5460	0	Schmidt, Derek	СНМ	Requires the establishment of a repository of information commonly required in the qualification process for small businesses trying to enter the defense industrial base.	EB 1
5475	0	Garamendi, John	СНМ	Requires a report on the United States machine tool industry including ongoing Department efforts to strengthen domestic machine tool supply chains and identify foreign dependencies.	EB 1
5478	0	Tokuda, Jill N.	СНМ	Requires a report on approaches to extend the AUKUS partnership to include development and guarantee of critical mineral supplies for the defense industrial base.	EB 1
5481	2	Khanna, Ro	СНМ	Directs the Secretary of Defense to initiate an audit of the supply chains of at least three major defense programs that have PRC supply chain exposure and requires a report on the findings.	EB 1
5529	0	Bell, Wesley	СНМ	Requires a report on illegally sourced and compromised repair parts within the DoD supply chain.	EB 1
5533	2	Kelly, Trent	СНМ	This provision directs the Department of Defense, in coordination with the Department of Agriculture, to submit a report identifying critical agricultural inputs sourced from China and assessing associated national security risks.	EB 1
5545	0	Garamendi, John	СНМ	Report on ongoing efforts to build domestic critical materials refining and processing capacity and workforce	EB 1
5559	0	Stefanik, Elise	СНМ	The Secretary of Defense shall promulgate and implement mandatory key performance indicators (KPIs) for evaluating civilian and military personnel in the defense acquisition workplace.	EB 1
4771	1	McCormick, Richard	СНМ	Increases by \$8 million RDT&E Army, Line 043 - Next Generation Combat Vehicle Advanced Technology for Dual-Use Autonomous and Collaborative Reconnaissance Testing. Reduces RDT&E Army, Line 090 - Synthetic Training Environment Refinement & Prototyping by \$8 million.	EB 1
4924	2	Mills, Cory	СНМ	Equips aircraft that are used by Geographic Combatant Commanders (GCC), and other government and diplomatic personnel who travel overseas, with secure, resilient satellite communication (SATCOM) terminals which allows them to maintain global connectivity.	EB 1

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5012	1	Wilson, Joe	СНМ	Funding Table - Airless Tire Demonstration for the Infantry Squad Vehicle	EB 1
5013	1	Wilson, Joe	СНМ	Funding Table - Winter Tire Development	EB 1
5029	1	Kelly, Trent	СНМ	Modifying funding tables to identify funds to further development of counter-hypersonic interceptor propulsion systems.	EB 1
5054	1	Graves, Sam	СНМ	Increase the amount for CTG, .50 CAL	EB 1
5351	3	Davis, Donald G.	СНМ	The amendment would increase by \$6,000,000 funding for Air Force Combat Training Ranges for development of innovative targeting systems technology.	EB 1
5403	0	Norcross, Donald	СНМ	Increases RDTE Army, Threat Simulator Development by \$10 million for Man Portable Doppler Radar, with \$10 million offset in RDTE Navy for Marine Corps Ground Combat/Support System.	EB 1
5416	0	Norcross, Donald	СНМ	Increases RDTE Army, Tactical Electronic Surveillance System – Adv Dev, line 067, by \$9.9 million for System of Systems for Asset Optimization and Management of Uncrewed Systems, with a matching \$9.9 million offset from Marine Corps Ground Combat/Support System, line 058.	EB 1
5456	1	Vindman, Eugene Simon	СНМ	Increases funding for FPV/PBAS drone procurement for the Army.	EB 1
5567	0	Scott, Austin	СНМ	This table change amendment is to increase funding by \$3M for the Next Generation Squad Weapon Magazine Testing. The funding amount for grenades would reduce by \$3M.	EB 1
5094	0	Kelly, Trent	СНМ	To authorize funds for the Expeditionary Medical Ship to ensure we meet DoD's need for an afloat medical capability	EB 1
5192	0	Higgins, Clay	СНМ	Additional 40' Patrol Boats	EB 1
5401	0	Moulton, Seth	СНМ	Increase funding for USMC Small UAS	EB 1

Offered by: Ms. Kiggans

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Expansion of Tailored Logistics Support Contracting Across the Department of Defense

The committee recognizes that rapid acquisition mechanisms are critical to fielding innovative, commercially available technologies that enhance warfighter readiness. The committee is aware that the Defense Logistics Agency's Tailored Logistics Support Program (DLA-TLSP) has provided a proven contracting model that enables efficient procurement of mission-driven equipment from both traditional and nontraditional defense suppliers.

The committee believes broader adoption of TLSP-style contracts can improve agility and responsiveness across the Department's acquisition enterprise. Greater access to these vehicles may also reduce barriers for commercial innovators and expand the Department's technology base.

The committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a report to the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the House Committee on Armed Services not later than January 15, 2026, on the Department's plan to expand the use of TLSP-style contracts. The report should include:

- 1) efforts to increase awareness of TLSP contracts and their applications across all defense agencies;
- 2) strategies to replicate unrestricted TLSP-style contracts across the acquisition enterprise to accelerate procurement and deployment of mission-critical technologies;
- 3) identification of supply chains suitable for transition to centralized TLSPstyle contracting;
- 4) current participation levels of military department acquisition organizations and opportunities for expansion;
- 5) examples of successful TLSP contract use with nontraditional vendors and lessons learned;
- 6) any regulations, directives, or policies that may limit broader TLSP use within the Department or innovation ecosystem;
- 7) analysis of the impact of recent changes to the Small Business Administration's nonmanufacturer rule on TLSP-style contracting; and
- 8) any other matters the Secretary deems appropriate.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Finstad of Minnesota

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

1	SEC. 8 MODIFICATION TO PROCUREMENT REQUIRE-
2	MENTS RELATING TO RARE EARTH ELE-
3	MENTS AND STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATE-
4	RIALS.

5 (a) MODIFICATION REGARDING ADVANCED BAT-6 TERIES IN DISCLOSURES CONCERNING RARE EARTH ELEMENTS AND STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS 7 BY CONTRACTORS OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—Sec-8 9 tion 857 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-10 263; 136 Stat. 2727; 10 U.S.C. 4811 note) is amended— 11 12 (1) in subsection (a)— 13 (A) in paragraph (1)(A)— (i) by striking "permanent magnet" 14

14(1) by striking permanent magnet15and inserting "permanent magnet, or an16advanced battery or advanced battery com-17ponent (as those terms are defined, respec-18tively, in section 40207(a) of the Infra-

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1	structure Investment and Jobs Act (42)
2	U.S.C. 18741(a))),"; and
3	(ii) by striking "of the magnet" and
4	inserting "of the magnet, the advanced
5	battery, or the advanced battery compo-
6	nent (as applicable)"; and
7	(B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as
8	follows:
9	"(2) Elements.—A disclosure under para-
10	graph (1) with respect to a system described in that
11	paragraph shall include—
12	"(A) if the system includes a permanent
13	magnet, an identification of the country or
14	countries in which—
15	"(i) any rare earth elements and stra-
16	tegic and critical materials used in the
17	magnet were mined;
18	"(ii) such elements and materials were
19	refined into oxides;
20	"(iii) such elements and materials
21	were made into metals and alloys; and
22	"(iv) the magnet was sintered or
23	bonded and magnetized; and
24	"(B) if the system includes an advanced
25	battery or an advanced battery component, an

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1	identification of the country or countries in
2	which—
3	"(i) any strategic and critical mate-
4	rials that are covered minerals used in the
5	battery or component were refined, proc-
6	essed, or reprocessed;
7	"(ii) any strategic and critical mate-
8	rials that are covered minerals and that
9	were manufactured into the battery or
10	component; and
11	"(iii) the battery cell, module, and
12	pack of the battery or component were
13	manufactured and assembled."; and
14	(2) by amending subsection (d) to read as fol-
15	lows:
16	"(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
17	"(1) The term 'strategic and critical materials'
18	means materials designated as strategic and critical
19	under section 3(a) of the Strategic and Critical Ma-
20	terials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98b(a)).
21	"(2) The term 'covered minerals' means lith-
22	ium, nickel, cobalt, manganese, and graphite.".
23	(b) Technical Amendments.—Subsection (a) of
24	such section 857 is further amended—

(1) in paragraph (3), by striking "provides the
 system" and inserting "provides the system as de scribed in paragraph (1)"; and
 (2) in paragraph (4)(C), by striking "a senior

5 acquisition executive" and inserting "a service acqui-

6 sition executive".

Offered by: Mr. Rogers of Alabama

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Enterprise Utilization of Commercial Supply Chain Management Technology

The committee is aware that program managers of the Department of Defense are leveraging commercial off-the-shelf supply chain management software to proactively anticipate and mitigate supply chain disruptions and challenges. However, the committee notes that employment of these solutions is generally disaggregated, which limits the effectiveness of the tools. Furthermore, disaggregated use of such tools does not generally aid in shared awareness of supply chain risks that may exist across programs or military services.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of the Defense to consider enterprise-wide opportunities to employ commercially available supply chain management software or services to assist the Department in monitoring and mitigating supply chain risk, and to automate supply chain management tasks and reporting. Furthermore, the committee directs the Secretary to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services, not later than May 1, 2026, that summarizes an assessment of current usage of supply chain management tools by program managers along with an estimate of the annual resourcing profile through fiscal year 2030 for supply chain management tools for use by program managers. The briefing shall include recommendations by the Secretary to accelerate employment of modern commercial supply chain management technology across the Department of Defense to improve program supply chain management.

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Offered by: Mr. Wittman

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Adopting Novel Technologies Through Formal Innovative Partnerships

The committee affirms that the Department of Defense must adopt novel technologies at an accelerated pace, and that early-stage venture firms are well-positioned to identify and incubate innovative solutions to complex problems that the Department cannot resolve through its traditional acquisition pathways. The committee applauds the Navy's Program Executive Office Digital and Enterprise Services (PEO Digital)'s Innovation Adoption Kit, which can serve as a model for streamlined adoption of cutting-edge technology through partnerships with early-stage venture firms. The committee notes that the Navy is using this framework to incorporate commercially available software that provides agentic AI and mathematical optimization models for complex systems. The committee encourages the Navy to continue formal innovation partnerships, using PEO Digital's work as a model, and expects the other services to do the same. These partnerships should develop a shared savings approach to align incentives for rapid innovation and adoption.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than March 1, 2026, on progress and plans to implement formal innovation partnerships with early-stage venture firms across the military departments.

Offered by: Mr. Jackson of Texas

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Critical Minerals Required to Support Department of Defense Requirements

The committee notes that the Department of Defense relies on a broad array of critical minerals and rare earth elements to support U.S. military capabilities. The committee remains concerned about national security risks posed by an overreliance on foreign sources, particularly adversarial nations, for the supply, processing, and refinement of these materials. While the committee recognizes prior efforts by Congress and the Department to address critical mineral supply chain vulnerabilities, the Department's requirements for critical minerals continues to evolve rapidly.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Director, Defense Logistics Agency, to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than March 27, 2026, on the Department's current and projected demands for critical minerals and rare earth elements and efforts to diversify sourcing requirements.

Offered by: Mr. Jackson of Texas

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Contracting Workforce Performance Measures

The committee remains concerned that the defense acquisition system is not delivering the weapon systems needed by the U.S. military to deter and defeat America's adversaries. The committee recognizes that the contracting workforce performs a crucial role that impacts how quickly weapons systems are delivered to warfighters, the costs of contracts, and how the government holds contractors accountable for their performance. However, the committee is concerned that the contracting workforce is overly reliant on performance metrics such as the number of contracts managed, the dollar value of contracts, and other measures that do not sufficiently assess the quality of contracting outcomes when considering individual contracting officer performance. The committee supports the Department's efforts to develop measures of performance that assess contract outcomes, versus the size and quantity of contracts.

Therefore, the committee directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than February 27, 2026, on the Department's efforts to update contracting workforce performance measures based on contract outcomes.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Bell of Missouri

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

1	SEC. 8 PROHIBITION ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
2	CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN FOREIGN-OWNED
3	ONLINE TUTORING SERVICES.
4	Section 854 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Im-
5	provement and National Defense Authorization Act for
6	Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 4651
7	note prec.) is amended—
8	(1) by striking "The Secretary" and inserting
9	"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary";
10	(2) by striking "the People's Republic of
11	China" and inserting "a country of concern"; and
12	(3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
13	section:
14	"(b) Country of Concern Defined.—In this sec-
15	tion, the term 'country of concern' means any of the fol-
16	lowing:
17	"(1) China.
18	"(2) Russia.
19	"(3) Iran.

1 "(4) North Korea.".

Offered by: Mr. Jackson of Texas

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Comptroller General Review of U.S. Readiness to Support a National Mobilization of the Defense Industrial Base

The committee recognizes the urgent need to develop industrial capacity that can be rapidly mobilized to sustain and procure additional military assets and capabilities in times of war. The committee acknowledges a June 2024 report from the Government Accountability Office concluding that the Department of Defense is "not yet well-positioned to field systems with speed," noting that the average delivery time for major defense acquisition programs has increased from eight to 11 years.

The committee observes that this challenge is compounded by the significant decline in domestic manufacturing, a growing reliance on imports for military platforms, weapons, and equipment, and increasing complexity within defensecritical supply chains. The committee recognizes that these vulnerabilities have been repeatedly exploited by U.S. adversaries through cyberattacks, economic manipulation, supply chain sabotage, and other hostile tactics and pose serious threats to U.S. national security that undermine military readiness and the defense industrial base's ability to respond effectively to large-scale conflicts.

Therefore, the committee directs the Comptroller General of United States to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than March 27, 2026, on U.S. readiness to support a national mobilization of the defense industrial base. The report shall include:

- an analysis of interagency requirements, including those of the Department of Homeland Security and Department of Commerce, and the readiness of relevant authorities such as the Defense Production Act of 1950 (Public Law 81-774);
- (2) an assessment of emerging threats to the U.S. defense industrial base and its supply chains;
- (3) an evaluation of the Department's current ability to rapidly mobilize and sustain the material needs of the Joint Force in wartime—particularly during a protracted conflict involving adversary strategies of attrition and its capacity to replenish U.S. military arsenals; and

(4) an assessment on the Armed Forces' capability to disrupt adversary supply chains through interagency partnerships and whole-of-government strategies.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Harrigan of North Carolina

At the appropriate place in title XII of division A, insert the following:

1 SEC. __. MODIFICATION OF PUBLIC REPORTING OF CHI 2 NESE MILITARY COMPANIES OPERATING IN 3 THE UNITED STATES.

4 Section 1260H(g)(2)(B)(i)(I) of the William M.
5 (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for
6 Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113
7 note) is amended by adding at the end before "; or" the
8 following: "operating inside or outside of China".

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Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Ms. Goodlander of New Hampshire

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

1 SEC. 8_. OTHER TRANSACTION AUTHORITY REPORTING.

2 Section 4021 of title 10, United States Code, is
3 amended by adding at the end the following new sub4 section:

5 "(j) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—With respect to
6 each use of the authority under this section, the Secretary
7 of Defense shall ensure that such use—

8 "(1) is reported in the same manner as other
9 similar expenditures of the Department of Defense;
10 and

"(2) is included in the searchable website established under the Federal Funding Accountability
and Transparency Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–
282; 31 U.S.C. 6101 note).".

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Finstad of Minnesota

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

SEC. 8_____. ACQUISITION THRESHOLDS FOR CERTAIN MA TERIALS. (a) STRATEGIC MATERIALS.—Section 4863 of title

4 10, United States Code, is amended by amending sub-5 section (f) to read as follows:

6 "(f) EXCEPTION FOR SMALL PURCHASES.—

7 "(1) Subsection (a) does not apply to acquisi-8 tions in amounts not greater than \$250,000.

9 "(2) A proposed acquisition of an item subject 10 to subsection (a) in an amount greater than 11 \$250,000 may not be divided into several purchases 12 or contracts for lesser amounts in order to meet the 13 exception under paragraph (1).

14 "(3) On October 1 of each year that is evenly 15 divisible by five, the Secretary of Defense may ad-16 just the dollar threshold in this subsection based on 17 changes in the Consumer Price Index. Any such ad-18 justment shall take effect on the date on which the 2

Secretary publishes notice of such adjustment in the
 Federal Register.".

3 (b) SENSITIVE MATERIALS FROM NON-ALLIED FOR4 EIGN NATIONS.—Section 4872 of title 10, United States
5 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
6 subsection:

7 "(g) Exception for Small Purchases.—

8 "(1) Subsection (a)(1) does not apply to pro9 curements in amounts not greater than \$250,000.

"(2) A proposed procurement of a material or
item subject to subsection (a) in an amount greater
than \$250,000 may not be divided into several purchases or contracts for lesser amounts in order to
meet the exception under paragraph (1).

15 "(3) On October 1 of each year that is evenly 16 divisible by five, the Secretary of Defense may ad-17 just the dollar threshold in this subsection based on 18 changes in the Consumer Price Index. Any such ad-19 justment shall take effect on the date on which the 20 Secretary publishes notice of such adjustment in the 21 Federal Register.".

(c) PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARDS.—Section 4873 of
title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
end the following new subsection:

25 "(g) EXCEPTION FOR SMALL PURCHASES.—

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1	"(1) Subsection $(a)(1)$ does not apply to acqui-
2	sitions in amounts not greater than \$10,000.
3	"(2) A proposed acquisition of an item subject
4	to subsection $(a)(1)$ in an amount greater than
5	\$10,000 may not be divided into several purchases
6	or contracts for lesser amounts in order to meet the
7	exception under paragraph (1).
8	"(3) On October 1 of each year that is evenly
9	divisible by five, the Secretary of Defense may ad-
10	just the dollar threshold in this subsection based on
11	changes in the Consumer Price Index. Any such ad-
12	justment shall take effect on the date on which the
13	Secretary publishes notice of such adjustment in the
14	Federal Register.".

Offered by: Mr. Ryan

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Current Efforts to Mitigate Risks to the Defense Industrial Base

The committee is concerned about the Department of Defense's efforts to improve how it identifies and mitigates risks to the defense industrial base. For many years, the Department did not have a consolidated or comprehensive strategy to address industrial base risks. In its report published on July 7, 2022 titled "Defense Industrial Base: DOD Should Take Actions to Strengthen Its Risk Mitigation Approach," the Government Accountability Office reported that the Department lacked such a strategy and did not have performance measures to monitor the effectiveness of its mitigation efforts (GAO-22-104154). Further, the report found that the Department struggled to report its progress in Annual Industrial Capability Reports. In 2024, the Department of Defense issued its first National Defense Industrial Strategy and corresponding implementation plan. Together, these documents provide a roadmap for the Department's efforts to mitigate industrial base risks. However, the extent to which the Department of Defense is implementing this strategy is unclear.

Therefore, the committee directs the Comptroller General of the United States to submit a report to the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the House Committee on Armed Services no later than March 1, 2026, on the Department of Defense's current efforts to mitigate risks to the defense industrial base. The report should include the following information:

(1) the Department's actions to implement the National Defense Industrial Strategy, including steps taken to link the strategy to other efforts across the Department;

(2) the status of the Department's effort to provide resources for planned and ongoing risk mitigation activities;

(3) the Department's progress in mitigating industrial base risks;

(4) any other information the Comptroller General determines appropriate with respect to defense industrial base risk mitigation.

Offered by: Mr. McGuire

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Campus-Style Manufacturing Centers for Solid Rocket Motors

The committee recognizes the need to strengthen the U.S. defense industrial base, considering the impacts of geopolitical dynamics and strategic competition on national security supply chains, especially concerning solid rocket motors (SRMs). Accordingly, Section 866 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118-159) requires the Department of Defense to submit a strategy for ensuring that the domestic defense industrial base can meet requirements for programs of record relating to SRMs. The committee still awaits the contents of this strategy and, elsewhere in this Act, calls for an additional report detailing current efforts to qualify alternative sources for Mk-72 and Mk-104 rocket motors.

Onshoring proven manufacturing and industries related to SRMs requires foundational and developmental support to ensure reliable and competitive SRM production. Industry is developing co-located manufacturing centers and industrial campuses that include new SRM production facilities, and is leveraging private capital to support rapid innovation, commercial partnerships, and scaling of the most vital industries to our national security. The committee encourages the Department to explore this model as a cost-saving, capacity-building approach to enhancing the SRM supply chain.

Therefore, the committee directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than March 1, 2026, assessing the campus-style model to support the national defense industrial base posture. This report should include:

- the benefits of campus-style models for energetics manufacturing, including overcoming challenges resulting from fragmented subcomponent sourcing, fostering business partnerships and cost-sharing, and promoting new technology insertion;
- (2) funding requirements and budget plans to support additional experienced and proven SRM production capabilities in the United States through an industrial campus model to scale and diversify SRM production to strengthen the U.S. defense industrial base to complement existing industrial base capabilities; and
- (3) a market description of potential locations and private capital investments for an industrial campus to support new or expanded SRM production.

Offered by: Mr. McGuire

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Domestic Production of Ultra-High Molecular Weight Polyethylene

The committee recognizes the critical role of ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene (UHMWPE) in the production of advanced body armor, which provides essential protection for U.S. military personnel. UHMWPE is a strategic material due to its exceptional strength-to-weight ratio, durability, and versatility in lightweight armor applications. Furthermore, the committee notes that the domestic industrial base for UHMWPE is constrained, lacking the capacity to meet surge requirements necessary to equip soldiers with body armor at scale.

To ensure a resilient and secure supply chain for advanced body armor, the committee strongly encourages the Department of Defense to prioritize investment in the domestic industrial base for UHMWPE. Such investments should focus on expanding production capacity and fostering innovation in manufacturing processes. The committee further encourages the Department of Defense to leverage existing authorities, such as the Defense Production Act or other industrial base programs, to incentivize capital investment, research and development, and workforce development for UHMWPE production.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than April 1, 2026, on the Department's plans to bolster the domestic UHMWPE industrial base, including timelines and funding requirements to ensure surge capacity and long-term industrial base health.

Offered by: Mr. Austin Scott

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Evaluating Chinese Companies as Military-Civil Fusion Contributors

The People's Republic of China is subsidizing production of small display technology with military applications that subverts normal market competition and dominates global markets. These Chinese government subsidies risk secure supply chains of critical military technology needed in the United States military. The committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than February 01, 2026, on analysis determining if BOE Technology Group Co., Ltd and Tianma Microelectronics Co., Ltd., or any subsidiary, parent, affiliate, or successor of such entities, should be identified as a Chinese military company or a military-civil fusion contributor and included on the list maintained by the Department of Defense in accordance with section 1260H(b) of the Fiscal Year 2021 National Defense Authorization Act.

Offered by: Mr. Mills

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Small Purchases of Critical Minerals and Magnets

The committee continues to be concerned with the Defense Department's reliance on inexpensive but essential products from China and Russia. Therefore, the committee directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to, not later than April 1, 2026, provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services on procurements of covered materials manufactured in China and Russia, and acquired by the Department of Defense through contracts valued at or below the simplified acquisition threshold. For the purposes of this brief, covered materials shall include samarium-cobalt magnets, neodymium-iron-boron magnets, tungsten metal powder, tungsten heavy alloys, tantalum metals and alloys, aluminum-nickel-cobalt magnets. The briefing shall address:

(1) Continued efforts by the Department to identify and reduce dependencies on China and Russia for covered materials, to include efforts by the Department to develop and integrate alternative sources of supply of the covered materials;

(2) A risk assessment of the Department's continued sourcing of covered materials through use of contracts valued at or below the simplified acquisition threshold;(3) Any recommendations from the Under Secretary for improving the ability of the Department, and contractors within the defense industrial base, to track the provenance of covered materials;

(4) Any recommendations for changes to law or policy to assist or better enable the Under Secretary to address the committee's concerns, including changes to the application of the simplified threshold for purchases related to the covered materials.

Offered by: Mr. Courtney

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Feasibility of Incentive System for Hiring of Individuals with Disabilities by Contractors

The committee is interested in assessing the feasibility, structure, and potential impact of a point-based incentive system for defense contractors to increase the hiring of individuals with disabilities by contractors paying no less than the federal minimum wage to their workforce.

As such, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and the Director of Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs under the Department of Labor, to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Armed Services not later than August 1, 2026, that assesses feasibility of such an incentive system. The report should include, but is not limited to:

- an evaluation of current Department of Defense contractor performance incentives and how a point-based model could be integrated into existing procurement and evaluation systems, eligible only for contractors paying no less than the federal minimum wage to their workforce;
- (2) an analysis of potential point-based mechanisms, including awarding bid evaluation points to contractors who meet or exceed the 7-percent utilization goal for employment of qualified individuals with disabilities under Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973;
- (3) consideration of safeguards to ensure program integrity, verification of employment data, and protection against tokenism or misuse;
- (4) estimated costs, benefits, and administrative requirements of implementing such an incentive program; and
- (5) recommendations for potential pilot programs or phased implementation strategies.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Courtney of Connecticut

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

1 SEC. ____. ENSURING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CON 2 TRACTOR COMPLIANCE WITH DISABILITY 3 HIRING GOALS.

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—For each of fiscal years 2026 5 through 2029, the Secretary of Defense shall conduct an 6 audit of the compliance of the contractors of the Department of Defense with the 7-percent utilization goal for em-7 ployment of qualified individuals with disabilities by con-8 tractors established by the Office of Federal Contract 9 10 Compliance Programs of the Department of Labor under section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 11 12 793).

(b) REPORTS.—Not later than 5 months after the
end of a fiscal year for which the Secretary of Defense
was required to conduct an audit under subsection (a),
the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees
on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and
the Senate a report on the findings of such audit.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Ryan of New York

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

1 SEC. 8____. REPORT ON THE USE OF OTHER TRANSACTION 2 AUTHORITY.

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the use of follow-on production contracts or transactions under section 4022 of title 10, United States Code, during the period beginning on October 1, 2020, and ending on October 1, 2025. Such report shall include—

10 (1) the number of transactions for a prototype
11 project awarded under the authority provided by
12 such section 4022 during the period covered by the
13 report;

(2) the number of transactions for a prototype
project for which an option for a follow-on production contract or transaction was awarded during
such period;

18 (3) for each follow-on production contract or19 transaction described in paragraph (2), a summary

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of current status of such contract or transaction, in cluding overall performance of the contractor in exe cution of such contract or transaction and the total
 value of the award;

5 (4) an assessment of any trends or lessons 6 learned that may be limit or prevent the use of fol-7 low-on production contracts or transactions under 8 such section 4022; and

9 (5) any recommendations the Secretary may 10 have to improve the use of follow-on production con-11 tracts or transactions under such section 4022 and 12 to increase the number of prototype projects that 13 successfully transition to production through such 14 use.

Offered by: Mr. Norcross of New Jersey

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Briefing on Contracting Officer Communications and Cooperation with Contractors

The committee is concerned about whether Department of Defense contracting officers demonstrate willingness to cooperate in a timely and fair manner when presented with a contract issue that has potential to escalate into a formal dispute. Failure to do so can delay program delivery and increase the cost of critical programs. A contracting officer's willingness and ability to work with contractors is instrumental to achieving successful and timely contract outcomes.

Therefore, the committee directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than February 1, 2026, describing current training and guidance to contracting officers related to communications and cooperation with contractors. In preparation for the briefing, the committee directs the Under Secretary to conduct a review of contract files for a relevant sample set of recent major system acquisitions (as that term is defined in section 3041 of title 10 of the United States Code) to assess how and when the contracting officer responded to a written request or notification seeking the contracting officer's direction, action, or assistance for purposes of contract administration or the performance of contractual obligations. The briefing should provide examples of how current training and guidance was demonstrated in the action of contracting officers and should also identify any actions that will be taken by the Under Secretary to improve the performance of contracting officers as a result of findings from the review of contract files.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Norcross of New Jersey

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

1 SEC. 8____. MODIFICATION TO ENHANCED DOMESTIC CON 2 TENT REQUIREMENT FOR MAJOR DEFENSE 3 ACQUISITION PROGRAMS.

4 Section 835(c) of the National Defense Authorization
5 Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–301) is amend6 ed to read as follows:

7 "(c) MAJOR DEFENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAM.—In
8 this section, the term 'major defense acquisition program'
9 has the meaning given in section 4201 of title 10, United
10 States Code, except that such term includes any program
11 that meets the meaning given in such section as in effect
12 on January 1, 2025.".

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Jackson of Texas

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

1	SEC. 8 ACCELERATION OF QUALIFICATION OF COMPLI-
2	ANT SOURCES.
3	(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—
4	(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
5	after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
6	retary of Defense shall establish in the Defense In-
7	dustrial Resilience Consortium established under
8	section 1842 [Log 82244] a working group for the
9	exchange of information about compliant materials
10	and to accelerate the qualification of such materials
11	for use by the Department of Defense and the inte-
12	gration of such materials into the supply chains of
13	contractors of the Department of Defense.
14	(2) Membership.—
15	(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
16	subparagraph (B), the working group shall con-
17	sist of members of the Defense Industrial Resil-

ience Consortium with expertise or interest in—

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1	(i) the qualification and acceptance of
2	materials, parts, components and end
3	items by the Department of Defense;
4	(ii) supply chain management; or
5	(iii) supply chain illumination.
6	(B) EXCLUSION.—The Secretary may ex-
7	clude from participation in such working group
8	any individual or entity that—
9	(i) is headquartered within, owned or
10	controlled by, or subject to the influence of
11	a covered nation;
12	(ii) is functioning as the agent of any
13	foreign State; or
14	(iii) is otherwise determined by the
15	Secretary to be a significant threat to the
16	national security interests of the United
17	States.
18	(3) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The working group
19	shall—
20	(A) establish processes for exchange of in-
21	formation about compliant materials among
22	consortium members, procurement agents of the
23	Department of Defense, and contractors of the
24	defense industrial base, while maintaining ap-
1	propriate safeguards of commercially propri-
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2	etary information;
3	(B) develop processes and procedures to
4	streamline identification, testing, and qualifica-
5	tion of compliant sources and compliant mate-
6	rials;
7	(C) seek to reduce the unnecessary applica-
8	tion of requirements that specific to a single
9	Armed Force for identification, testing, and
10	qualification of compliant sources and compli-
11	ant material;
12	(D) provide a forum for the Army, Navy,
13	Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force and
14	other elements of the Department of Defense to
15	share technical and supply chain data related to
16	requirements for covered materials;
17	(E) identify compliant sources at each step
18	of the supply chain, to the extent that such sup-
19	ply chains are subject to subchapter III of
20	chapter 385 of title 10, United States Code;
21	(F) at least once a quarter, publish for the
22	members of the consortium and for the Under
23	Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and
24	Sustainment, a list of compliant sources for
25	each critical material, including a general de-

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scription of what step of the supply chain in which each compliant source is participating, if any;

(G) develop and recommend processes to enable the Department of Defense to rapidly identify, qualify, and integrate compliant materials into programs of the Department at scale;

(H) seek to reduce future requirements for critical materials in defense systems by encouraging contractors of the Department of Defense to design and develop systems that use commercially available critical materials, when such materials are capable of meeting mission needs;

(I) seek input from small and nontraditional contractors and ensure the working
group considers the unique attributes of such
businesses in carrying out the responsibilities of
this subsection;

(J) develop and provide recommendations
to reduce impediments or disincentives for a
supplier of an end item to the Department of
Defense to revise a supply chain agreement or
other arrangement, to eliminate the reliance of
the supplier on noncompliant sources;

1	(K) any other matters assigned to the
2	working group by the Secretary; and
3	(L) provide the Secretary with timely rec-
4	ommendations developed pursuant to this sec-
5	tion.
6	(b) Replacement of Existing Noncompliant
7	Parts.—
8	(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
9	after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
10	retary shall develop and implement guidance to en-
11	sure that critical materials from noncompliant
12	sources that are present in covered systems of the
13	Department of Defense are identified and replaced
14	as rapidly as practicable with compliant materials.
15	(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The guidance required
16	by (1) shall—
17	(A) ensure that a supplier of an end item
18	is actively managing the supply chain, and shall
19	address impediments or disincentives for the
20	supplier to revise a supply chain agreement or
21	other arrangement to eliminate the supplier's
22	reliance on noncompliant sources;
23	(B) require the use of compliant sources
24	included on the list required by paragraph
25	(a)(3)(F), where appropriate;

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(C) require use of commercial qualification
 processes to the maximum extent practicable in
 determining whether a new supplier is capable
 of meeting defense requirements;

(D) minimize the number of qualification events required, including minimizing the use of real-world testing, when replacing components or raw materials with functionally identical commercial offerings;

10 (E) provide for waiver of defense-unique
11 qualification requirements, including oper12 ational test and evaluation processes, unless
13 compliance with such requirements is deter14 mined to be essential by the head of the con15 tracting activity: and

16 (F) prohibit additional testing of the end 17 item if a component or subcomponent has 18 shown to have substantially similar or identical 19 performance after replacement of a noncompli-20 ant critical material with a compliant critical 21 material, except where the service acquisition 22 executive determines otherwise.

23 (3) SAFE HARBOR.—The Secretary of Defense
24 shall deem that any acquisition of a critical material,
25 by the Department, a contractor to the Department,

or a subcontractor at any tier, from a supplier of
 critical materials that is included on the list required
 by paragraph (a)(3)(F), is in compliance with the
 requirements of subchapter III of chapter 385 of
 this title, if—

6 (A) the supplier of a critical material was 7 on the most recent such list of compliant 8 sources for such critical material at the time 9 the acquisition contract or other agreement was 10 entered into;

11 (B) the supplier is included on such a list 12 not less frequently than once every two years 13 during the period beginning on the date on 14 which such contract or other agreement is en-15 tered into and ending on the date on which 16 such contract or other agreement expires or ter-17 minates; and

18 (C) it would have created an unreasonable 19 hardship, including an interruption of needed 20 supplies or significantly different cost, for the 21 acquiring entity to switch suppliers to a compli-22 ant source during the time between the signing 23 of the contract or other agreement and the time 24 of delivery under such contract or other agree-25 ment.

1 RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL.—The service (4)2 acquisition executive for each service or agency shall, 3 for each program under supervision of such service 4 acquisition executive, identify the individual respon-5 sible for establishing the statement of work and 6 qualification requirements associated with the re-7 placement of components or raw materials critical 8 materials from noncompliant sources in covered sys-9 tems as required by this section.

10 (5) COMMERCIAL ITEMS.—The Secretary shall 11 ensure that the guidance required by this subsection 12 applies to commercial products and commercial off-13 the-shelf items to the extent that the requirements 14 of chapter 385 of title 10, United States Code, apply 15 to commercial products and commercial off-the-shelf 16 items.

(c) ACCESS TO MATERIALS.—Notwithstanding section 4872(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Department of Defense is authorized to procure a covered material stockpiled in an allied or partner nation if such covered material has been under uninterrupted control by an
entity in such allied or partner nation since 2000.

(d) FUNDING ESTIMATES.—Not later than five days
after the date on which the Secretary of Defense submits
to Congress the materials in support of the budget sub-

mitted by the President to Congress under section 1105 1 of title 31, United States Code, for a fiscal year, the 2 Secretary of Defense for Acquisition 3 Under and 4 Sustainment, in collaboration with the service acquisition 5 executives of the military departments, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a comprehensive esti-6 7 mate of the funds necessary to provide for the qualifica-8 tion and integration of compliant sources into the covered 9 systems of each military department. 10 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section: 11 (1) The term "compliant country" means a 12 country that is not a covered nation. (2) The term "compliant source" means an en-13 14 tity engaged in the production, manufacture, or dis-15 tribution of a critical material that is compliant with 16 the requirements of subchapter III of chapter 385 of 17 title 10, United States Code. 18 (3) The term "compliant material" means crit-19 ical material that is sourced from a compliant 20 source. 21 (4) The term "covered nation" has the meaning

given such term in section 4872(f) of title 10,United States Code.

1	(5) The term "covered system" means an end
2	item that is currently in production or has been de-
3	livered to the Department of Defense.
4	(6) The term "critical material" means a mate-
5	rial subject to sourcing restrictions under subchapter
6	III of chapter 385 of title 10, United States Code.
7	(7) The term "end item" has the meaning given
8	such term in section 4863 of title 10, United States
9	Code.
10	(8) The term "service acquisition executive"
11	has the meaning given such term in section $101(a)$
12	of title 10, United States Code.
13	(9) The term "working group" means the work-
14	ing group established under subsection (a).

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Offered by: Mr. Cisneros

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Small Business Subcontractor Utilization

The committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than June 30, 2026 on the Department of Defense's (DoD) requirements and current practices around listing small business subcontractors and their utilization. The report should include the following information:

(1) description of current DoD policies and procedures that require an offeror or awardee of a prime contract to include or list specific subcontractors in the offeror's bid or proposal, and/or the awardee's subcontracting plan;

(2) description of the general practices, disaggregated by sector, of an offeror or awardee of a prime contract to include or list specific subcontractors in the offeror's bid or proposal, and/or the awardee's subcontracting plan;

(3) assessment of the degree to which bids, proposal or subcontracting plans list or name small business subcontractors;

(4) summary of the DoD's policies around the written explanation required by Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 19.704(a)(13), to include the collection, submission and retention requirements, and associated timelines;

(5) review of the Department's contracting activities regarding compliance with FAR Part 19.704(a)(13) and a summary of how this requirement is enforced, including any major differences in implementation between contracting activities or contracts type;

(6) high level overview of any common reasoning provided in the written explanations for non-use of a specific small business; and

(7) recommendations for changes to statutory, regulatory, policy, or agency guidance to improve utilization of small business subcontractors.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. DesJarlais of Tennessee

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

1 SEC. 8____. PREFERENCE FOR DOMESTIC PROCUREMENT 2 OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

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 revise the Department of Defense Supplement to the
6 Federal Acquisition Regulation—

7 (1) to require, to the maximum extent prac8 ticable and consistent with the interests of national
9 security, preference for procurement of professional
10 services from offerors that are United States compa11 nies; and

12 (2) to allow the Secretary discretion to waive
13 the requirements of paragraph (1) if the Secretary
14 determines that—

15 (A) compliance with such requirements
16 would result in the Department of Defense fail17 ing to meet an urgent operational requirement;
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1	(B) no United States company or quali-			
2	fying joint venture is capable of fulfilling the re-			
3	quirements of the contract in a timely or cost-			
4	effective manner.			
5	(b) WAIVER REQUIREMENTS.—A waiver described in			
6	subsection $(a)(2)$ shall be issued in writing, shall include			
7	a justification for such issuance, and shall be submitted			
8	to the congressional defense committees not later than 30			
9	days after such issuance.			
10	(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:			
11	(1) The term "United States company" means			
12	an entity that—			
13	(A) is organized under the laws of a State,			
14	territory, or possession of the United States or			
15	the District of Columbia;			
16	(B) has its principal place of business in			
17	the United States; and			
18	(C) is not directly or indirectly owned or			
19	controlled by a foreign entity			
20	(2) The term "professional services" includes			
21	services in the fields of engineering, architecture, de-			
22	sign, environmental consulting, financial consulting,			
23	program management, legal advisory, and other ex-			
24	pert services as defined in the Federal Acquisition			
25	Regulation.			

(3) The term "qualifying joint venture" means
 a joint venture in which a United States company
 holds an ownership interest greater than 50 percent.

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Offered by: Mr. Messmer of Indiana

In the portion of the report to accompany H.R. 3838 titled "Justification for Change in Contracting Procedures", strike the following text: "The committee applauds efforts by the Department of Defense to acquire commercial items whenever possible in an effort to reduce product development timelines and decrease costs. However, the committee is aware of recent cases where contractors provided a best and final offer in response to a Department of Defense solicitation under Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 12 - Acquisition of Commercial Products and Commercial Services procedures, only to have the terms modified by the contracting officer to require compliance with FAR Part 15 - Contracting by Negotiation procedures following contract award. The committee is aware that such changes are significant, have direct impact on the terms and conditions of subcontracts and supplier agreements of the affected contractor, and likely drive cost increases and schedule delays. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than December 1, 2025, on all contracts awarded in the last two years and valued at \$100,000,000 or more that were changed from FAR Part 12 to FAR Part 15 after contractors provided their best and final offers. The briefing should include, for each identified case, a summary of the acquisition strategy, an explanation of why the change to FAR Part 15 was thought to be justified, and the cost and schedule impacts to the program."

and insert the following new text:

"The committee applauds efforts by the Department of Defense to acquire commercial items whenever possible in an effort to reduce product development timelines and decrease costs. However, the committee is aware of recent cases where contractors provided a proposal a best and final offer in response to a Department of Defense solicitation under Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 12 - Acquisition of Commercial Products and Commercial Services procedures, only to have the terms modified by the contracting officer to require compliance with FAR Part 15 - Contracting by Negotiation procedures following contract award. The committee is aware that such changes are significant, have a direct impact on the terms and conditions of subcontracts and supplier agreements of the affected contractor, and likely drive cost increases and schedule delays. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than December 1, 2025, on all contracts and subcontracts awarded in the last two years and valued at \$100,000,000 or more that were changed from FAR Part 12 to FAR Part 15 after contractors provided their best and final offers. The briefing should include, for each identified case, a summary of the acquisition strategy, an explanation of why the change to FAR Part 15 was thought to be justified, and the cost and schedule impacts to the program".

Offered by: Mr. Jackson of Texas

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Recovering Critical Minerals for Defense Supply Chains

The committee remains concerned about persistent shortages of strategic and critical materials essential to U.S. defense resilience and national security operations. The committee underscores the urgent need to reduce U.S. dependence on foreign-controlled supply chains and to strengthen domestic manufacturing and recovery capabilities. The committee further recognizes that industrial waste recovery can serve as a complementary method to augment traditional extraction, enabling the Department of Defense to enhance supply chain resilience, reduce reliance on vulnerable foreign sources, and improve the availability of key materials for critical defense applications.

Therefore, the committee directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in coordination with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy, the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Resilience, and the Director, Defense Logistics Agency, to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than March 27, 2026, on strategic material recovery, including the feasibility, scalability, and costeffectiveness of High-Temperature Plasma (HTP) technology for manufacturing rare earth elements, silicon carbide, and other critical materials using industrial waste streams as feedstock. The report shall include, but is not limited to:

- (1) an analysis, conducted in coordination with relevant Department of Defense entities responsible for supply chain resilience and material security, on the feasibility, technological maturity, and implementation progress of strategic material recovery technologies, including HTP and other advanced manufacturing or separation methods;
- (2) an assessment of current and projected domestic material recovery capabilities, recent advancements in technology, shifts in procurement strategy, and remaining vulnerabilities within strategic and critical materials supply chains;
- (3) an evaluation of the cost, scalability, and industrial base readiness of such technologies, compared to conventional refining and extraction approaches, with particular focus on applications most relevant to Department mission needs;
- (4) a comparative analysis of HTP and other emerging material recovery technologies against traditional methods for processing and manufacturing rare earth elements and other priority materials; and

(5) a proposed implementation strategy, including funding mechanisms and procurement pathways, to integrate validated recovery-based material manufacturing technologies into Department of Defense supply chains where mission-relevant and cost-effective.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Golden of Maine

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

1	SEC PROHIBITION ON ACQUISITION OF MOLYBDENUM
2	FROM NON-ALLIED FOREIGN NATIONS.
3	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4872(f)(1) of title 10,
4	United States Code, is amended—
5	(1) in subparagraph (D), by striking "and" at
6	the end;
7	(2) in subparagraph (E), by striking the period
8	at the end and inserting "; and"; and
9	(3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
10	paragraph:
11	"(F) molybdenum.".
12	(b) EXISTING CONTRACT.—The amendments made
13	by subsection (a) shall apply only with respect to contracts
14	and other agreements entered into after the date of the
15	enactment of this Act.

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Offered by: Ms. Goodlander

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Critical Minerals Supply Chain Transparency

The committee supports efforts to enhance transparency in U.S. critical mineral supply chains to ensure adequate resourcing and procurement, readiness of U.S. Armed Forces, and proper handling of hazardous (including radioactive) materials.

Therefore, the committee directs the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency to establish a program not later than December 1, 2025, that utilizes in-house or commercially available software and technologies that provide visibility and data analytic capabilities to track and manage U.S. supply chain operations. The Department may consider providing grants, contracts, or subsidies to encourage contractors to utilize such software and technologies.

The committee also directs the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than December 1, 2026, based on information gathered from the new program. The report shall include the following:

(1) a summary of the current state and any identified risks to the security of U.S. critical mineral supply chains;

(2) an analysis of the impacts of supply chain transparency on the overall readiness of weapons and surveillance systems; and

(3) a list with descriptions of any identified instances of improper handling or transportation of hazardous materials, including radioactive materials.

Offered by: Mr. Wilson

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Advanced Processing Capabilities to Extract Critical Minerals

The committee reaffirms its strong support for the Department of Defense's (DOD) prioritization of establishing secure, domestic supply chains and reliable sources of critical minerals essential to national defense and technological superiority. Also, the committee notes the existence of advanced processing techniques, including technologies to extract valuable metals from mine waste streams.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by February 2, 2026. The briefing should include:

- (1) details on how current DOD initiatives are supporting advanced processing capabilities to extract critical minerals from mine waste streams in domestic mining operations;
- (2) information on partnerships with the private sector through grants, loans, or other strategic investments that promote the economic viability of U.S.-based critical mineral production; and
- (3) details on how the DOD is coordinating with other relevant federal entities, including the Department of Energy, Department of the Interior, and the Environmental Protection Agency, to develop and implement an integrated national strategy for the secure, sustainable sourcing of critical minerals.

Offered by: Member Jason Crow

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Report on Block Buys

The committee is concerned that the Department of Defense is not fully utilizing block buys to address skilled workforce and supply chain challenges. The committee recognizes that block buys provide the Defense Industrial Base (DIB) a consistent demand signal, allowing cost and amortization of investments to be managed more efficiently by allocation over longer periods of time and in larger quantities. This approach can optimize resources, enhance competitiveness and innovation, increase supply chain stability, and reduce costs of products and services for the Department.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Service Secretaries, to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than March 1, 2026, describing how the Department intends to enhance its use of block buys to more effectively promote a skilled workforce and reliable supply chain to meet Department requirements by:

- (1) optimizing efficiency and supporting competition and innovation in the acquisition of commercial products and services;
- (2) maximizing benefits to the DIB and the taxpayer through stability in demand;
- (3) streamlining procurements and minimizing unnecessary contracting actions;
- (4) reducing risk of foreign-connected business and investment in the DIB by securing supply chains through stable, dependable cashflow through longer-term contracts; and
- (5) including recommendations to improve the use of block buys consistent with the other enumerated requirements of the report.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Deluzio of Pennsylvania

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

1 SEC. 8____. REPORTING OF PRICE INCREASES.

Chapter 271 of title 10, United States Code, is
amended by adding at the end the following new section: **"§3709. Reporting of increases above specified prices**"(a) IN GENERAL.—An offeror shall be required to
submit to the relevant contracting officer a report, not
later than 30 days after the offeror becomes aware that
the price of a product or service under a covered contract

9 reaches or exceeds an amount equal to—

- 10 "(1) 25 percent more than the price specified in
 11 the covered contract bid;
- "(2) 25 percent more than the price the Government paid for such product or service during the
 calendar year immediately preceding the date on
 which the covered contract is entered into; or

"(3) 50 percent more than the price the Government paid for such product or service at any time
before the 5-year period preceding the date on which
the covered contract is entered into.

1 "(b) NONCOMPLIANCE.—With respect to an offeror 2 who fails to submit the report required under this section, 3 the Director of the Defense Contract Audit Agency or the 4 relevant service acquisition executive shall include in the 5 Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information 6 System (or any successor system) the following informa-7 tion:

8 "(1) An identification of such offeror and the
9 specific product or service to which such report
10 should relate.

"(2) The National Stock Number of such product or service and the order quantity, unit cost, total
cost, purchasing or reimbursing entity, and date of
the order for such product or service.

15 "(c) COVERED CONTRACT DEFINED.—In this sec16 tion, the term 'covered contract' means a contract award17 ed using procedures other than competitive procedures
18 under section 3204 of this title or pursuant to section
19 6.302 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.".

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Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Deluzio of Pennsylvania

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

1	SEC. 8	. COMPTROLLER GENERAL ASSESSMENT OF
2		COMPETITIVE EFFECTS OF MERGERS AND
3		ACQUISITIONS OF DEFENSE CONTRACTORS.

4 The Comptroller General of the United States shall 5 conduct an assessment and submit to the congressional 6 defense committees a report on the competitive effects of 7 mergers and acquisitions of defense contractors during the 8 ten-year period preceding the date of the enactment of this 9 Act that includes—

10 (1) the effectiveness of any remedy relating to
11 a merger or acquisition of defense contractors on de12 fense industry competition and defense industrial
13 base sustainability;

(2) the effectiveness of information sharing between the Attorney General, the Federal Trade
Commission, and the Secretary of Defense in the
merger and acquisition review process;

18 (3) an analysis of the processes used by the19 Secretary of Defense for measuring the effect of

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vertical integration of defense contractors on com petition, including data collection and the ability to
 access information from defense contractors that are
 parties to the merger or acquisition to assess anti competitive practices among defense contractors;
 and

7 (4) implementation of previous recommenda8 tions of the Comptroller General, the Secretary of
9 Defense, or the Defense Science Board to enhance
10 competition among defense contractors.

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Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Ms. Jacobs of California

In section 1831(a)(1) [Log 82251], strike subpara-

graphs (B) and (C) and insert the following:

1	(B) in subparagraph (B)—
2	(i) in clause (i), by striking "writing
3	that" and all that follows through "the
4	use" and inserting "writing that the use";
5	and
6	(ii) in clause (ii), by striking "and" at
7	the end;
8	(C) in subparagraph (C)—
9	(i) by striking "subsection (f)" each
10	place it appears and inserting "subsection
11	(e)";
12	(ii) in clause (i)(I), by striking "the
13	requirements of subsection (d)" and all
14	that follows through "and the" and insert-
15	ing "the"; and
16	(iii) in clause (ii), by striking the pe-
17	riod at the end and inserting "; and"; and
18	(D) by adding at the end the following new
19	subparagraph:

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1 "(D) may not be exercised for contracts
2 exceeding the production of 500 units of a man3 ufactured or developed product. Contracts ex4 ceeding this production threshold may not be
5 categorized as a "prototype" or contracted as
6 such.";

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Offered by: Mr. Vindman

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Embedded Molecular Data Supply Chain Authentication Assessment

The committee is aware of advancements in Embedded Molecular Data (EMD) technologies that enable physical objects to carry unique cryptographic identifiers at the molecular level. The committee believes that these technologies may have potential application to the Department of Defense's efforts to safeguard defense-critical materials, components, and end-items from counterfeiting, diversion, or compromise.

Therefore, the committee directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, in consultation with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, and the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by December 1, 2025, assessing the potential utility of EMD technologies for national security applications.

The briefing should include the following:

(1) an evaluation of whether and how EMD could meaningfully assist with or advance the authentication, traceability, and lifecycle monitoring of defense articles, particularly in high-risk supply chains such as microelectronics, batteries, forgings, and additive manufacturing;

(2) an assessment of whether and how EMD technologies could serve as a physical complement to digital tracking systems;

(3) an assessment of whether EMD may have utility for the mitigation of emerging threats stemming from advances in material science and data obfuscation;

(4) a review of the feasibility, advisability, and potential costs of deployment of EMD technologies at scale for Department of Defense applications;

(5) identification of pilot programs or operational demonstrations where EMD could be rapidly tested and evaluated; and

(6) such other information as the Under Secretary deems appropriate.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Ms. Jacobs of California

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

1 SEC. 8____. APPLICATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTATION 2 AND OVERSIGHT REQUIREMENTS TO CER 3 TAIN PROJECTS PERFORMED THROUGH 4 OTHER TRANSACTION AUTHORITY.

5 With respect to each project performed through a 6 transaction (other than contracts, cooperative agreements, 7 and grants) entered into pursuant to section 4021 or 4022 8 of title 10, United States Code, that meets the definition 9 of a major defense acquisition program (as defined in sec-10 tion 4201 of such title 10), the requirements of section 11 4204(e) of such title 10 shall apply to such project.

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Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Moulton of Massachusetts

In section 1802(a), in the matter proposed to be inserted as section 1732(d) of title 10, United States Code, strike the matter preceding paragraph (1) and insert the following: "The Secretary concerned with respect to a program executive officer shall ensure that each such program executive officer is assigned dedicated personnel and other resources required to successfully perform the assigned duties and responsibilities of such program executive officer. Personnel shall be under the exclusive authority and control of such officer. Personnel and resources shall not be provided through matrixed, collateral duty, or dual-reporting arrangements, except as specifically authorized by the Secretary in writing. Personnel and resources required include—".

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Offered by: Ms. Kiggans

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Loan and Grant Processing Modernization

As the Department of Defense expands initiatives to strengthen the defense industrial base by providing loans and grants, such as those under the Office of Strategic Capital, it is important that the Department's processes and systems ensure efficiency, oversight, and accountability. Accordingly, the committee directs the Director of the Office of Strategic Capitol to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than February 1, 2026, on efforts by the Director to streamline loan and grant application processing systems and align data collection procedures with commercial best practices. The briefing shall include:

- an assessment of loan and grant processing system capabilities and requirements to support the Office in efficiently and effectively providing capital assistance to eligible entities in accordance with section 149 of title 10, United States Code;
- (2) a summary of commercially viable options for improving the Office's ability to process loan and grant applications; and
- (3) any recommendations the Director may have to improve the ability of the Office to ensure efficiency and effectiveness in the loan and grant application processes.

Offered by: Mr. Tran of California

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Material Changes to Office of Small Business Programs

The committee acknowledges the important role of the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization in providing access to a resilient and innovative supplier base, while ensuring small businesses can compete and thrive in the defense marketplace. Any material changes to the Office of Small Business Programs, including its personnel and functions, could potentially impact both the United States' national security and economic foundation. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services no later than January 15, 2026 on the Department's current or future plans or actions taken to make any material change to any OSBP, including but not limited to a reorganization of command relationships or reporting chains; increases or decreases in authorized civilian or military billets; realignment, consolidation, or divestiture of subordinate elements; changes to statutory programs executed by OSDBU; or any other change that would impact the ability of the Offices to meet statutory obligations or comply with statutory requirements.

Offered by: Mr. Crank

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Supply Chain Risk Evaluation Environment

The committee continues to focus on improving mechanisms for the Department of Defense to better plan and address supply chain security challenges. In the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118-31), Congress directed the Department to implement a pilot program to analyze, map, and monitor supply chains for up to five weapon systems. The committee is pleased to see that the Department began addressing these issues through successful implementation of Supply Chain Risk Evaluation Environment (SCREEn).

Accordingly, the committee sees value in continued integration of SCREEn to provide robust analytics and reporting features to facilitate Department-wide analysis of systemic risks and vulnerabilities, as well as enable decision-support capabilities for risk-informed resource allocation and risk mitigation strategies. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense for Acquisitions and Sustainment, in consultation with the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, to brief the House Committee on Armed Services not later than March 1, 2026, on the Department's lessons learned in the integration and implementation of SCREEn thus far and plans for continued use or expansion of use of the tool.

Offered by: Ms. Elfreth of Maryland

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Financial Health of Suppliers within the Defense Industrial Base Supply Chain

The Committee is concerned about whether Department of Defense (DOD) contracting officers are conducting mandatory financial responsibility reviews on prospective contractors in accordance with requirements contained within the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), and the DOD component policies. The committee notes that the Department of Defense Inspector General (DODIG) published a report in March 2024 which revealed significant non-compliance with 80% of reviewed contracts lacking sufficient documentation required for financial responsibility per DFARS, leaving both the DOD and the defense industrial base supply chain vulnerable.

The Committee believes that DOD contracting officers must understand the link between supply chain risk and supplier financial health in order to minimize contract failure risk and ensure contracts are awarded to financially responsible entities. The Committee is also aware of existing commercial technology that provides a comprehensive framework to assess and mitigate supply chain risk by collecting and analyzing financial statements of private and public companies.

Therefore, the committee directs the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than May 1, 2026, including the following information:

(1) an assessment of the ability to gather the required source-derived financial data of private and public suppliers in order to comply with FAR and DFARS; and

(2) an assessment of existing, plan to adopt existing, commercial technology that could assist in the collection and analysis of financial statements of all prospective contractors.

Offered by: Mr. John Garamendi of California

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Reciprocal Defense Procurement Agreements and the Defense Industrial Base

The committee is concerned by the findings of Government Accountability Office (GAO) Report GAO-25-106936, International Trade: Agencies Should Improve Oversight of Reciprocal Defense Procurement Agreements, which identified significant gaps in the Department of Defense's processes for initiating, renewing, and monitoring RDP Agreements. The report noted that the Department has not consistently solicited industry input, coordinated with the Department of Commerce, or assessed the impact of these agreements on the U.S. defense industrial base.

The committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees not later than March 1, 2026 on the Department's progress in implementing GAO's recommendations, including:

- 1. development and implementation of written policies and procedures for initiating and renewing RDP Agreements;
- 2. coordination with the Department of Commerce to assess the economic and industrial base impacts of existing and proposed agreements;
- 3. steps taken to solicit and incorporate industry feedback;
- 4. plans to monitor and evaluate the long-term effects of RDP Agreements on United States defense technology and industrial competitiveness.

The committee expects the Department to ensure transparency and accountability in its execution of these agreements and to prioritize the health of the domestic defense industrial base.

Offered by: Mr. Austin Scott

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Impediments to Sole Source Contract Awards to Veteran Owned Small Businesses

The current Federal Acquisition Regulation Subpart 19.14 imposes unnecessary barriers by requiring Contracting Officers to prepare and submit Justification and Approval documents for sole source awards to Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Businesses and Veteran Owned Small Businesses. The committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than March 01, 2026, on assessing the impacts to Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Businesses and Veteran Owned Small Businesses by requiring Justification and Approval Documents and investigate the number of sole source awards held by these businesses. The briefing should include the following information:

(1) an explanation of Federal Acquisition Regulation Subpart 19.14, its requirements for Justification and Approval Documents for sole source awards, and the impacts to Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Businesses and Veteran Owned Small Businesses; and

(2) an evaluation on the benefits to these businesses if the Department of Defense waived the Justification and Approval Document requirements for sole source awards.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Mr. Schmidt of Kansas

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

1 SEC. ____. COMMON REPOSITORY FOR SUPPLIER INFORMA 2 TION.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary
5 of Defense for Industrial Base Policy shall establish a re6 pository of information commonly required for the initial
7 vetting by the Department of Defense of contractors ap8 plying to be qualified to supply products or services to the
9 Department.

10 (b) COORDINATED EFFORTS.—The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy shall develop 11 12 the repository required under subsection (a) in conjunction with or as part of other efforts of an Office of Small Busi-13 ness Programs of the Department of Defense to provide 14 market research, supply chain resiliency, cybersecurity, 15 16 and secure cloud tools to entities furnishing procurement technical assistance under chapter 388 of title 10, United 17 States Code, and small manufacturers. 18
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(c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.—The Assistant Sec retary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy may enter
 into a public-private partnership or cooperative agreement
 with one or more contractors of the Department of De fense in establishing the repository required by (a) if the
 Assistant Secretary determines that such repository—

7 (1) would reduce duplicative efforts or reduce
8 the time spent by potential suppliers in providing
9 similar information to multiple prime contractors; or
10 (2) would streamline or reduce the cost of a
11 prime contractor qualifying a supplier for products
12 or services to be provided to the Department.

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Offered by: Mr. John Garamendi of California

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Machine Tool Industrial Base and Foreign Dependency

The committee is concerned about long-term risks to national security arising from foreign dependence on precision machine tools, casting and forging equipment, and related manufacturing equipment essential to defense production. While the Department of Defense has taken steps to mitigate industrial vulnerabilities, such as through the Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment (IBAS) program, there remains insufficient data on the extent to which these efforts are strengthening domestic resilience or reducing reliance on overseas suppliers.

Accordingly, the committee directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in coordination with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy, to submit a report to the congressional defense committees by December 31, 2025 that includes:

(1) an assessment of the current and projected national security needs for advanced machine tools, including multi-axis CNC machines, high-precision grinders, and additive-subtractive hybrid systems;

(2) a quantitative analysis of the supply chain dependencies for critical machine tools and components broken out by country of origin, including the proportion sourced from foreign adversaries or countries of concern;

(3) an evaluation of the vulnerability of the United States defense industrial base due to foreign sourcing of machine tools and identification of chokepoints where disruption would materially impair defense readiness;

(4) a summary of existing Department efforts (Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment projects and Defense Production Act authorities) aimed at strengthening domestic machine tool capacity, along with metrics of success to date; and

(5) recommendations on additional actions, incentives, or investments needed to build United States capabilities in precision machine tool design, manufacturing, and workforce development, including potential procurement policy changes.

Offered by: Ms. Tokuda

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

AUKUS and Rare Earth Supply Security

The committee is concerned about the reliance on China for critical minerals, including rare earths, essential for production of defense systems for the U.S. military and allies. The committee notes that Australia has significant deposits of rare earths and other critical minerals and considerable domestic expertise in mining and processing. Given the importance of and significant investment in the AUKUS defense partnership, the committee would like to understand the potential for formally integrating critical mineral supply development and guarantees into AUKUS. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, to submit a report to the congressional defense committees not later than February 1, 2026, on potential approaches to extend the AUKUS partnership to include development and guarantee of critical mineral supplies, including but not limited to samarium, to benefit the U.S. and allied defense industrial bases, including analysis of the feasibility and advisability of such approaches. The report can include a classified annex.

Offered by: Mr. Khanna

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Defense Supply Chain Audit for Dependencies on Adversaries

The committee notes the importance of the Department of Defense maintaining secure and resilient supply chains for key weapons programs and the current challenges in achieving such security and resiliency due to the Department relying on the People's Republic of China for components in certain supply chains including critical minerals, advanced batteries, very large cast and forged parts, and microelectronics.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense not later than April 1, 2026, to initiate audits of the supply chains of at least three of the Department's major defense programs, including at least one program each in the missile defense, munitions, and maritime mission areas that have components or materials from industries with PRC supply chain exposure. The committee further directs the Secretary of Defense not later than October 1, 2026, to report to the House Committee on Armed Services on the following:

(1) findings from these audits on the current presence of materials or goods sourced from the PRC in the supply chains of selected defense programs;

(2) an assessment of which of these materials or goods are vulnerable to supply chain disruption by the PRC; and

(3) plans for identifying and qualifying alternative suppliers to provide the Department's contractors with these materials or goods.

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Offered by: Mr. Bell

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Report on Illegally Sourced and Compromised Repair Parts within the DoD Supply Chain

The committee recognizes the ongoing threat posed by counterfeit and illegally sourced components from the People's Republic of China (PRC) infiltrating Department of Defense (DoD) supply chains. The committee is concerned that adversarial nations could exploit vulnerabilities in DoD's maintenance and supply practices to introduce compromised parts, increasing risks of equipment failure, cyber intrusions, and intelligence collection. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services no later than February 1, 2026 on the following:

- (1) a comprehensive review of documented cases of counterfeit or illegally sourced Chinese-origin components detected in DoD procurement channels;
- (2) an assessment of current safeguards and enforcement mechanisms used to detect and prevent the entry of unauthorized parts into military supply chains;
- (3) an analysis of contractor and subcontractor compliance with procurement security requirements, including cases in which contractors knowingly or negligently introduced such components into defense systems; and,
- (4) an analysis of recommendations for new technologies, testing protocols, and oversight mechanisms to enhance DoD's ability to detect and prevent counterfeit or illegally sourced components across the industrial base.

Offered by: Mr. Trent Kelly

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Dependence on Chinese Agricultural Inputs as a National Security Risk

The committee recognizes the Department of Defense's reliance on agricultural-derived inputs from the People's Republic of China—including synthetic fertilizers, crop protection chemicals, feedstocks, and other critical materials—as a strategic vulnerability that could undermine defense sustainment, logistics, and warfighting readiness in a contested global supply chain environment, and notes the Department's recent collaboration with the U.S. Department of Agriculture to strengthen military family food security and connect agricultural production with defense outcomes, as outlined in the July 2025 initiative, "Strengthening Food and Nutrition Security for a More Secure Nation" [DoD–USDA Joint Announcement, July 10, 2025],

The committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services no later than December 1, 2026, that includes:

(1) an inventory of agricultural-derived inputs supporting defense operations, supply chains, or the food security of servicemembers and their families that are currently sourced wholly or in part from the People's Republic of China;

(2) an assessment of national security and sustainment risks associated with potential disruptions in the availability of these inputs; and

(3) a mitigation strategy, developed in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, to reduce reliance on Chinese sources, strengthen domestic and allied production, and ensure resilience of defense-relevant food and supply systems.

Offered by: Mr. John Garamendi of California

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 3838, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Report on Enhancing United States Critical Mineral Refining and Processing Capacity and Workforce

The committee is deeply concerned that, despite ongoing efforts by the Department of Defense, a significant portion of global capacity, expertise, and workforce for refining and processing critical minerals essential for defense applications remains concentrated in a single foreign country. This dependence poses substantial national security risks, particularly in the event of geopolitical tensions or protracted armed conflict.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than December 31, 2025, on Department needs, efforts and recommendations for further actions to strengthen United States critical mineral refining and processing capacity, including:

(1) current and planned lines of effort within the Department aimed at expanding domestic capacity for refining and processing critical minerals essential to defense applications;

(2) an assessment of the potential impacts on the United States Armed Forces of insufficient domestic critical mineral refining and processing capabilities during a protracted armed conflict, including risks to supply chains and operational readiness; and

(3) recommended actions the Department could pursue, including pilot programs, public-private partnerships, on-installation processing of end-oflife equipment, or other initiatives, to increase domestic critical mineral refining and processing capacity and to develop and sustain a skilled education and workforce pipeline in this sector. The report shall be unclassified and may include a classified annex if necessary.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered by Ms. Stefanik of New York

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

1 SEC. 8_____. RESTRUCTURING OF PERFORMANCE EVALUA 2 TION METRICS FOR THE ACQUISITION WORK 3 FORCE.

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE 5 KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS.—Not later than 180 6 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall implement mandatory key perform-7 8 ance indicators (in this section referred to as "KPIs") for 9 evaluating members of the acquisition workforce (as defined in 10 USC 101). Such KPIs shall be used to assess 10 the degree of alignment between activities of such mem-11 12 bers and strategic priorities of the Department of Defense, 13 including—

14 (1) use of commercial acquisition methods, in15 cluding the use of fixed-price contracts under terms
16 and conditions similar to those used for commercial
17 contracts;

18 (2) use of innovative acquisition authorities;

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(3) demonstrated preference for commercial so lutions;

3	(4) integration of small business concerns (as
4	defined under section 3 of the Small Business Act
5	(15 U.S.C. 632)) and nontraditional defense con-
6	tractors (as defined in section 3014 of title 10,
7	United States Code) into the defense industrial base;
8	(5) demonstrated cost and schedule efficiencies;
9	(6) use of milestone-based, modular open sys-
10	tem approaches (as defined in section 4401 of title
11	10, United States Code, as amended by section 1833
12	[Log 82219] of this Act) and capabilities-based
13	pricing; and
14	(7) use of the authorities under chapter 253 of
15	title 10, United States Code, and similar tools aimed
16	at streamlining and improving the acquisition proc-
17	ess for the Department of Defense.
18	(b) INTEGRATION WITH PERSONNEL SYSTEMS AND

19 PROMOTION BOARDS.—The KPIs described in subsection20 (a) shall be integrated into—

- 21 (1) annual performance appraisals for members22 of the acquisition workforce;
- 23 (2) promotion, bonus, and assignment consider-24 ation for acquisition positions; and

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1	(3) requirements for certification, training, and
2	continuing education under chapter 87 of title 10,
3	United States Code.
4	(c) Public Reporting and Oversight.—Begin-
5	ning not later than 365 days after the date of the enact-
6	ment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-
7	quisition and Sustainment shall submit to the congres-
8	sional defense committees a semiannual report on—
9	(1) progress in implementing KPIs required by
10	this section;
11	(2) compliance rates by each element of the De-
12	partment of Defense;
13	(3) any barriers to implementation; and
14	(4) recommendations for additional legislative
15	authorities to carry out the requirements of this sec-
16	tion.
17	(d) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:
18	(1) The term "commercial solutions" means
19	any method for procurement of a commercial prod-
20	uct or commercial service as described in part 12 of
21	the Federal Acquisition Regulation, subparts 212.2
22	and 212.70 of the Department of Defense Supple-
23	ment to the Federal Acquisition Regulation, or any
24	product, service, or other solution developed by a

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1	private entity and funded by private investment that
2	meets the needs of the Department of Defense.
3	(2) The term "innovative acquisition authori-
4	ties" means—
5	(A) the authority under section 4021 and
6	4022 of title 10, United States Code;
7	(B) authority to use commercial solutions
8	opening contracts pursuant to section 3458 of
9	such title 10;
10	(C) application of policies of a rapid capa-
11	bilities office of a military department; or
12	(D) any other streamlined acquisition au-
13	thority.
14	(e) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
15	gress that fostering a risk-tolerant, innovation-forward
16	culture in the defense acquisition workforce is essential to
17	maintaining the United States technological and military
18	advantage. Accordingly, the Department of Defense shall
19	prioritize the cultivation of acquisition professionals who
20	can effectively leverage commercial technology, deliver dig-
21	ital capabilities at speed, and expand the industrial base
22	beyond traditional vendors.

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OFFERED BY MR. MCCORMICK

(funding table amendment)

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, increase the amount for Next Generation Combat Vehicle Advanced Technology, Line 052, by \$8,000,000 for Dual-Use Autonomous and Collaborative Reconnaissance Testing.

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, reduce the amount for Synthetic Training Environment Refinement & Prototyping, Line 090, by \$8,000,000.

OFFERED BY MR. MILLS

(funding table amendment)

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Other Procurement, Army, increase the amount for COTS Communication Equipment, Line 052, by \$7,000,000 for airborne SATCOM systems.

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Other Procurement, Army, reduce the amount for Ground Soldier Systems, Line 156, by \$7,000,000.

Offered by Mr. Wilson

(funding table amendment)

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, increase the amount for Next Generation Combat Vehicle Advanced Technology, Line 52, by \$5,000,000 for Airless Tire Demonstration for the Infantry Squad Vehicle.

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, reduce the amount for Integrated Personnel and Pay System-Army (IPPS-A), Line 131, by \$5,000,000.

Offered by Mr. Wilson

(funding table amendment)

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, increase the amount for Next Generation Combat Vehicle Advanced Technology, Line 52, by \$6,000,000 for Winter Tire Development.

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, reduce the amount for Integrated Personnel and Pay System-Army (IPPS-A), Line 131, by \$6,000,000.

OFFERED BY MR. KELLY

(funding table amendment)

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluations, Army, increase the amount for Air and Missile Defense Advanced Technology, Line 056, by \$18,000,000 for continued development and integration of the Hypersonic Interceptor Divert and Attitude Control System (HI-DACS).

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Other Procurement, Army, reduce the amount for COTS Communications, Line 052, by \$10,000,000.

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Procurement, Marine Corps, reduce the amount for Radio Systems, Line 043, by \$8,000,000.

OFFERED BY MR. GRAVES

In section Title 4101 of division D, relating to Procurement of Ammunition, Army, increase the amount for CTG, .50 CAL, ALL TYPES, Line 005, by \$20,000,000.

In section Title 4101 of division D, relating to Other Procurement, Army reduce the Joint Battle Command - Platform (JBC-P), line 106 by \$10,000,000.

In section Title 4101 of division D, relating to Missile Procurement, Army reduce the Indirect Fire Protection Capability Inc 2-1, line 011 by \$10,000,000.

OFFERED BY MR. Davis of North Carolina

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Air Force, increase the amount for Combat Training Ranges, Line 95, by \$6,000,000 for Innovative Targeting Systems Technology.

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Air Force, reduce the amount for Acquisition Management & Support, Line 145, by \$6,000,000.

Offered by: MR. NORCROSS of New Jersey

(funding table amendment)

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, increase the amount for Threat Simulator Development, Line 173, by \$10,000,000 for Man Portable Doppler Radar

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evalution, Navy, reduce the amount for Marine Corps Ground Combat/Support System, Line 058, by \$10,000,000.

Offered by: Mr. Norcross of New Jersey

(funding table amendment)

In Section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, increase the amount for Tactical Electronic Surveillance System – Adv Dev, line 067, by \$9,900,000 for System of Systems for Asset Optimization and Management of Uncrewed Systems.

In Section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Navy, reduce the amount for Marine Corps Ground Combat/Support System, line 058, by \$9,900,000.

OFFERED BY MR. VINDMAN

(funding table amendment)

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Aircraft Procurement, Army, increase the amount for Small Unmanned Aerial Systems, Line 057, by \$18,000,000 for FPV/PBAS Systems.

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Other Procurement, Army, decrease the amount for Assured PNT, Line 039, by \$10,000,000.

In section 4101 of division D. relating to Other Procurement, Navy, decrease the amount for Physical Security Equipment, Line 164, by \$8,000,000.

Amendment to H.R. 3838 Offered By Mr. Austin Scott

(funding table amendment)

In section Title 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, increase the amount for Infantry Support Weapons, Line 103, by \$3,000,000 for Next Generation Squad Weapon Magazine Testing.

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Procurement of Ammunition, Army, reduce the amount for Grenades, All Types, Line 28, by \$3,000,000.

OFFERED BY MR. TRENT KELLY

(funding table amendment)

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Shipbuilding and Conversion, Navy add a new line for Expeditionary Medical Ship in the amount of \$250,000,000 to meet DoD's need for afloat medical capability.

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Aircraft Procurement, Navy reduce the amount for E-2D ADV Hawkeye, Line 015, by \$250,000,000.

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OFFERED BY MR. HIGGINS

(funding table amendment)

In section 4101 of division D, relating to OTHER PROCUREMENT, NAVY, increase the amount for STANDARD BOATS, Line 031, by \$9,000,000 for additional 40-foot patrol boats.

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Shipbuilding and Conversion, Navy, reduce the amount for Auxiliary Vessels (Used Sealift), Line 048, by \$9,000,000.

OFFERED BY MR. MOULTON

(funding table amendment)

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Procurement, Marine Corps, increase the amount for Unmanned Air Systems [Intel], Line 034, by \$60,000,000.

In section 4101 of division D, relating to Other Procurement, Navy, reduce the amount for LCS in-service modernization, Line 037, by \$60,000,000.