

Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 84, line 25, insert “the Department of Defense” after “viability of”.

On page 85, line 2, insert “by Department of Defense operations” after “signals”.

On page 86, line 14, insert “, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate, and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives” after “committees”.

SA 3185. Mr. CRUZ (for himself and Ms. CANTWELL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4638, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2025 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 966, line 16, insert “of the Department of Defense” after “devices”.

On page 966, line 19, insert “of the Department of Defense” after “devices”.

On page 967, line 14, insert “of the Department of Defense” after “devices”.

SA 3186. Mr. KAINE (for himself and Mr. YOUNG) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4638, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2025 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle F of title X, add the following:

SEC. 1067. ANNUAL UNFUNDED PRIORITY REPORT.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the “Fully Funding our National Security Priorities Act”.

(b) **FINDINGS.**—Congress finds the following:

(1) A report issued by the Department of State in 2023 identified a \$41,300,000,000 gap between the resources made available to the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development and the resources required to effectively counter the People’s Republic of China in the Indo-Pacific region.

(2) While the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development remain less than fully funded, the PRC has provided some \$1,340,000,000,000 in grants and loans over the past 22 years. In October 2023, the PRC and President Xi announced an additional \$100,000,000,000 for China’s development banks.

(3) As competitors like the PRC and Russia expand their global diplomatic footprints, the Department of State today has, on average, a 13 percent staffing gap.

(c) **SENSE OF CONGRESS.**—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the United States is a beacon of democracy and freedom in an increasingly fraught world;

(2) the Department of State, as a critical national security agency, remains chron-

ically understaffed and underfunded at a time when geopolitical rivals, including the People’s Republic of China, are rapidly expanding their global diplomatic presences; and

(3) it is imperative to empower the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development to ensure the United States can—

(A) effectively advance the national security interests of the United States;

(B) respond strategically to emerging technologies; and

(C) respond with flexibility to metastasizing global threats.

(d) **DEFINED TERM.**—In this section, the term “unfunded priority”, with respect to a fiscal year, means a program, activity, or mission requirement of an element of the Department of State or the United States Agency for International Development (referred to in this section as “USAID”) that—

(1) is not funded in the budget for such fiscal year submitted by the President to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code;

(2) is necessary to fulfill a foreign policy or national security objective or to satisfy an information requirement associated with a goal or objective outlined in the Joint Strategic Plan agreed upon by the Department of State and USAID; and

(3) would have been recommended for funding by the Secretary of State or the USAID Administrator if—

(A) additional resources had been available for such budget to fund such program, activity, or mission requirement; or

(B) the program, activity, or mission requirement has emerged since such budget was formulated.

(e) **ANNUAL REPORT.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 10 days after the date on which the budget for any fiscal year is submitted by the President to Congress, the Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator shall each prepare and submit a report to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives the unfunded priorities of the programs under the jurisdiction of the Secretary or the Administrator, as applicable.

(2) **ELEMENTS.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—Each report submitted to Congress pursuant to paragraph (1) shall include, with respect to each unfunded priority covered by such report—

(i) a summary description of such priority, including the objectives to be achieved if such priority is funded (whether in whole or in part);

(ii) the additional amount of funds recommended to be made available to achieve the objectives referred to in clause (i); and

(iii) budget information with respect to such priority, including—

(I) the appropriation account;

(II) the expenditure center; and

(III) the project and, if applicable, any sub-projects.

(B) **PRIORITIZATION.**—Each report submitted to Congress pursuant to paragraph (1) shall present the unfunded priorities covered by such report in overall order of urgency of priority among unfunded priorities.

SA 3187. Ms. SMITH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 4638, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2025 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the De-

partment of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle H of title X, add the following:

SEC. 1095. PAYMENT FOR ADDITIONAL LANDS ACQUIRED IN NORTHERN MINNESOTA.

Section 5 of the Act of June 22, 1948 (commonly known as the “Thye-Blatnik Act”) (62 Stat. 570, chapter 593; 16 U.S.C. 577g), is amended by striking “of the fair appraised value of such” and inserting “of the highest fair appraised value, including historical fair appraised values, as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture in accordance with this section, of such”.

SA 3188. Mr. BROWN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4638, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2025 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title XV, add the following:

SEC. 1510. BRIEFING ON OPPORTUNITIES TO ADVANCE EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than July 30, 2025, the Secretary of the Air Force, in coordination with the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, shall provide to appropriate committees of Congress a briefing on a path forward to increase opportunities to advance educational partnerships between the Air Force Institute of Technology and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

(b) **ELEMENT.**—The briefing required by subsection (a) shall include specific recommendations for the Air Force Institute of Technology and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to establish more formal relations that will lead to more National Aeronautics and Space Administration employees enrolling in Air Force Institute of Technology course offerings and add synergist gains in cross-over work projects.

(c) **APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.**—In this section, the term “appropriate committees of Congress” means—

(1) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives.

SA 3189. Mr. BOOKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4638, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2025 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title XII, add the following: