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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Comprehensive Pen-
tagon Bureaucracy Reform and Reduction Act”.
SEC. 2. STREAMLINING OF CERTAIN FUNCTIONS ACROSS THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) STREAMLINING OF FUNCTIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently than once every five years, and except as provided in paragraph (2), the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Chief Management Officer of the Department Defense, shall reduce or eliminate duplicative functions across all organizations and elements of the Department of Defense with respect to the covered activities.

(2) EXCEPTION.—The military services shall not be included in any reductions or eliminations carried out under subsection (a) on or before January 1, 2021.

(b) CERTIFICATION AND REVIEW OF COST SAVINGS.—

(1) CERTIFICATION.—Not later January 1, 2021, the Chief Management Officer shall certify to the congressional defense committees that the reductions and eliminations carried out under subsection (a) achieved savings with respect to the total amount obligated and expended for the covered activities in fiscal year 2020 that were not less than 25 percent of the baseline amount.
(2) GAO REVIEW.—Not later than 30 days after the submission of the certification under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that verifies whether the savings reported by the Chief Management Officer under paragraph (1) are accurate.

(3) BASELINE AMOUNT.—For the purposes of this subsection, the baseline amount is the total amount obligated and expended by organizations and elements of the Department of Defense other than the military services for fiscal year 2019 for the covered activities, not including any reductions in such amount attributable to activities carried out under other sections of this Act.

(c) PLAN AND REVIEW.—

(1) PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2020, the Chief Management Officer shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan for complying with subsections (a) and (b).

(2) GAO REVIEW.—Not later than 30 days after the submission of the plan under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that verifies—
(A) whether the plan submitted under paragraph (1) is feasible; and

(B) whether any cost savings expected to result from the plan are accurate.

(d) SUBSEQUENT REPORTS AND REVIEWS.—

(1) CMO REPORTS.—Not later than January 1 of every fifth calendar year beginning with January 1, 2026, the Chief Management Officer shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that describes the activities carried out by the Chief Management Officer under subsection (a) during the preceding five years, including an estimate of any cost savings achieved as a result of such activities.

(2) GAO REVIEW.—Not later than 30 days after the submission of each report under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that verifies—

(A) whether the activities described in the report under paragraph (1) were carried out; and

(B) whether any cost savings estimated in the report are accurate.

(e) COVERED ACTIVITIES DEFINED.—In this section, the term “covered activities” means any activity relating
to civilian resources management, logistics management, services contracting, or real estate management that is carried out by an organization or element of the Department of Defense.

SEC. 3. ELIMINATION OF CERTAIN DEFENSE AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FIELD ACTIVITIES.

(a) Eliminations Required.—Not later than January 1, 2021, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Chief Management Officer of the Department of Defense, shall eliminate the following elements of the Department:

(1) The Defense Technical Information Center.
(2) The Office of Economic Adjustment.
(3) The Test Resource Management Center.

(b) Transfer or Elimination of Functions and Personnel.—

(1) Transfer.—The Chief Management Officer shall transfer to other elements of the Office of the Secretary of Defense only such functions and personnel of the elements eliminated under subsection (a) as are necessary to carry out an essential function not otherwise carried out by such Office, as determined by the Chief Management Officer.
(2) Elimination.—Any functions and personnel of the elements eliminated under subsection (a) that are not transferred to another element of the Office of the Secretary of Defense under paragraph (1) shall be eliminated.

(c) Transfer or Disposition of Assets.—The Chief Management Officer shall dispose of, or transfer to other elements of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, any assets of the elements eliminated under subsection (a).

(d) Transition Plan.—Not later than March 1, 2020, the Chief Management Officer shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan for the eliminations and transfers required under this section.

SEC. 4. ELIMINATION OF DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY.

(a) Elimination Required.—Not later than January 1, 2021, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Chief Management Officer of the Department of Defense, shall eliminate the Defense Information Systems Agency.

(b) Transfer or Elimination of Functions and Personnel.—

(1) Transfer.—The Chief Management Officer, shall—
(A) transfer the functions, personnel, and assets of the Joint Force Headquarters, Department of Defense Information Network to the United States Cyber Command; 

(B) transfer all information technology contracting and acquisition services of the Defense Information Systems Agency to other elements of the Department of Defense, which may include the transfer of such services to the military departments; and 

(C) transfer all senior leader communications functions of the Agency to other elements of the Department of Defense.

(2) ELIMINATION.—Any functions and personnel of the Defense Information Systems Agency that are not transferred under paragraph (1) shall be eliminated.

(c) TRANSFER OR DISPOSITION OF ASSETS.—The Chief Management Officer shall dispose of, or transfer to other elements of the Department of Defense, any assets of the Defense Information Systems Agency.

(d) TRANSITION PLAN.—Not later than March 1, 2020, the Chief Management Officer shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan for the eliminations and transfers required under this section.
SEC. 5. ELIMINATION OF DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY SECURITY ADMINISTRATION.

(a) Elimination Required.—Not later than January 1, 2021, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, shall eliminate the Defense Technology Security Administration.

(b) Transfer or Elimination of Functions and Personnel.—

(1) Transfer.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence shall transfer to other elements of the Office of the Secretary of Defense only such functions and personnel of the Defense Technology Security Administration as are necessary to carry out an essential function not otherwise carried out by such Office, as determined by the Under Secretary.

(2) Elimination.—Any functions and personnel of the Defense Technology Security Administration that are not transferred to another element of the Office of the Secretary of Defense under paragraph (1) shall be eliminated.

(c) Transfer or Disposition of Assets.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence shall dispose of, or transfer to other elements of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, any assets of the Defense Technology Security Administration.
(d) TRANSITION PLAN.—Not later than March 1, 2020, the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan for the eliminations and transfers required under this section.

SEC. 6. ELIMINATION OF DEFENSE HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITY.

(a) ELIMINATION REQUIRED.—Not later than January 1, 2021, the Secretary of Defense shall eliminate the Defense Human Resources Activity.

(b) ASSIGNMENT OR ELIMINATION OF FUNCTIONS AND PERSONNEL.—

(1) ASSIGNMENT.—Subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary of Defense shall assign to an Under Secretary within the Department primary responsibility for such functions and personnel of the Defense Human Resources Activity as are necessary—

(A) to carry out an essential function not otherwise carried out by Department, as determined by the Secretary; or

(B) to carry out a function determined by the Secretary to be necessary for the joint force.

(2) ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS.—The functions of the Defense Human Resources Activity assigned to
an Under Secretary under paragraph (1) shall in-
clude, at minimum, the functions of—

(A) the Defense Manpower Data Center;

(B) the Defense Suicide Prevention Office;

(C) the Defense Personnel and Family
Support Center; and

(D) the Sexual Assault Prevention and Re-

(3) ELIMINATION.—Any functions and per-
sonnel of the Defense Human Resources Activity
that are not assigned to an Under Secretary under
paragraph (1) shall be eliminated.

(c) TRANSFER OR DISPOSITION OF ASSETS.—The
Secretary of Defense shall dispose of, or transfer to other
elements of the Department of Defense, any assets of the
Defense Human Resources Activity.

(d) TRANSITION PLAN.—Not later than March 1,
2020, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-
gressional defense committees a plan for the eliminations
and assignments required under this section.

SEC. 7. STREAMLINING OF DEFENSE FINANCE AND AC-
COUNTING SERVICES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 1, 2021,
the Chief Management Officer and the Under Secretary
of Defense (Comptroller) shall jointly carry out activities
to streamline, reduce duplication, and make more effective the operations of the Defense Finance and Accounting Services.

(b) PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2020, the Chief Management Officer and the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) shall jointly submit to the congressional defense committees a plan for carrying out the activities required under subsection (a).

SEC. 8. REVIEW OF FUNCTIONS OF DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY AND DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AGENCY.

(a) REVIEW REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Chief Management Officer of the Department of Defense, shall direct the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) to conduct a joint review of the functions of the Defense Contract Audit Agency and the Defense Contract Management Agency to determine whether there are functions being performed by either Agency that could more appropriately be performed by the other Agency. The review shall include—

(1) a determination of whether there are functions performed by either Agency that could more appropriately be performed by—
(A) any other organization or element of
the Department of Defense, including the mili-
tary departments; or

(B) commercial providers; and

(2) an assessment of the potential benefits and
challenges associated with combining the Agencies
into one agency with oversight for defense con-
tracting.

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1,
2020, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-
gressional defense committees a report that includes—

(1) the results of the review conducted under
subsection (a); and

(2) a plan to combine the functions of the De-
fense Contract Audit Agency and the Defense Con-
tract Management Agency into one agency by not
later than January 1, 2021.

SEC. 9. ACTIONS TO INCREASE THE EFFICIENCY AND
TRANSPARENCY OF THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS
AGENCY.

(a) SYSTEM AND CAPABILITY.—Not later than Janu-
ary 1, 2021, the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency,
in consultation with the customers served by the Agency,
shall develop and implement—
(1) a comprehensive system that enables customers of the Agency to view—

(A) the inventory of items and materials available to customers from the Agency; and

(B) the delivery status of items and materials that are in transit to customers; and

(2) a predictive analytics capability designed to increase the efficiency of the system described in paragraph (1) by identifying emerging customer needs with respect to items and materials supplied by the Agency, including any emerging needs arising from the use of new weapon systems by customers.

(b) Actions to Increase Efficiency.—Not later than January 1, 2021, the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency shall—

(1) reduce the rates charged to customers, in aggregate, by not less than 10 percent;

(2) eliminate the duplication of services within the Agency; and

(3) establish specific goals and metrics to ensure that the Agency is fulfilling its mission of providing items and materials to customers with sufficient speed and in sufficient quantities to ensure the lethality and readiness of warfighters.
(c) PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2020, the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan that describes how the Director will achieve compliance with the requirements of subsections (a) and (b).

SEC. 10. AUTHORITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHIEF MANAGEMENT OFFICER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) AUTHORITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—Section 132a(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by amending paragraph (3) to read as follows:

“(3) Exercising authority, direction, and control over the Defense Agencies and Department of Defense Field Activities, including the authority to eliminate such Agencies and Activities other than those Agencies and Activities specifically established by an Act of Congress.”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(7) Serving as the official with principal responsibility in the Department for minimizing the duplication of efforts and maximizing efficiency and effectiveness among all organizations and elements of the Department with respect to—

“(A) civilian resources management;
“(B) logistics management;
“(C) services contracting; and
“(D) real estate management.”.

(b) BUDGET AUTHORITY.—Section 132a of title 10, United States Code (as amended by subsection (a)) is further amended—

(1) by redesignating subsections (c) and (d) as subsections (d) and (e) respectively; and

(2) by inserting after subsection (b) the following:

“(c) BUDGET AUTHORITY.—

“(1)(A) The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), shall require the head of each Defense Agency and Department of Defense Field Activity to transmit the proposed budget for such Agency or Activity for a fiscal year and for the period covered by the future-years defense program submitted to Congress under section 221 of this title for that fiscal year to the Chief Management Officer for review under subparagraph (B) before submitting the proposed budget to the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

“(B) The Chief Management Officer shall review each proposed budget transmitted under sub-
paragraph (A) and, not later than January 31 of the
year preceding the fiscal year for which the budget
is proposed, shall submit to the Secretary of Defense
a report containing the comments of the Chief Man-
agement Officer with respect to all such proposed
budgets, together with the certification of the Chief
Management Officer regarding whether each pro-
posed budget is adequate.

“(C) Not later than March 31 of each year, the
Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a re-
port specifying each proposed budget contained in
the most-recent report submitted under subpara-
graph (B) that the Chief Management Officer did
not certify to be adequate. The report of the Sec-
retary shall include the following matters:

“(i) A discussion of the actions that the
Secretary proposes to take, together with any
recommended legislation that the Secretary con-
siders appropriate, to address the inadequacy of
the proposed budgets specified in the report.

“(ii) Any additional comments that the
Secretary considers appropriate regarding the
inadequacy of the proposed budgets.

“(2) None of the funds authorized to be appro-
priated or otherwise made available for any fiscal
year for a Defense Agency or Department of De-

fense Field Activity may be obligated or expended

unless—

“(A) the head of the Agency or Activity

submits to the Chief Management Officer a

plan for the obligation and expenditure of such

funds; and

“(B) the Chief Management Officer ap-

proves the plan.

“(3) Nothing in this subsection shall be con-

strued to modify or interfere with the budget-related

responsibilities of the Director of National Intel-

ligence.”.

SEC. 11. AUTHORITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE IN-

SPECTOR GENERAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

DEFENSE.

(a) ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND AUTHORITY-

ties.—Section 141 of title 10, United States Code, is

amended by adding at the end the following:

“(c) In addition to the duties, responsibilities, and

powers referred to in subsection (b), the Inspector General

of the Department shall serve as the official with principal

responsibility in the Department for minimizing the duplica-

tion of efforts and maximizing efficiency among the In-

spectors General across all organizations and elements of
the Department with respect to public affairs, human re-

sources, contracting, services contracting, and any other
cross-enterprise activities of the Inspectors General.

“(d)(1)(A) The Secretary of Defense, acting through
the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), shall re-
quire each Inspector General of an organization or element
of the Department of Defense to transmit the proposed
budget for the Office of such Inspector General for a fiscal
year and for the period covered by the future-years defense
program submitted to Congress under section 221 of this
title for that fiscal year to the Inspector General of the
Department of Defense for review under subparagraph
(B) before submitting the proposed budget to the Under
Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

“(B) The Inspector General of the Department of
Defense shall review each proposed budget transmitted
under subparagraph (A) and, not later than January 31
of the year preceding the fiscal year for which the budget
is proposed, shall submit to the Secretary of Defense a
report containing the comments of the Inspector General
with respect to all such proposed budgets, together with
the certification of the Inspector General regarding wheth-
er each proposed budget is adequate.

“(C) Not later than March 31 of each year, the Sec-
retary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report speci-
fying each proposed budget contained in the most-recent report submitted under subparagraph (B) that the Inspector General of the Department of Defense did not certify to be adequate. The report of the Secretary shall include the following matters:

“(i) A discussion of the actions that the Secretary proposes to take, together with any recommended legislation that the Secretary considers appropriate, to address the inadequacy of the proposed budgets specified in the report.

“(ii) Any additional comments that the Secretary considers appropriate regarding the inadequacy of the proposed budgets.

“(2) None of the funds authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available for any fiscal year for an Inspector General of an organization or element of the Department of Defense may be obligated or expended unless—

“(B) the Inspector General of the organization or element submits to the Inspector General of the Department of Defense a plan for the obligation and expenditure of such funds; and

“(C) the Inspector General of the Department of Defense approves the plan.”.
(b) STREAMLINING OF FUNCTIONS.—Not later than January 1, 2021, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Inspector General of the Department Defense, shall reduce or eliminate duplicative functions among the Inspectors General across all organizations and elements of the Department with respect to public affairs, human resources, contracting, services contracting, and any other cross-enterprise activities of the Inspectors General.

(e) PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2020, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan for complying with subsection (b).

SEC. 12. REDUCTION IN NUMBER OF CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICERS IN THE SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE.

With respect to the total number of Chief Information Officer positions within the Department of Defense, during calendar year 2021 and each year thereafter not more than five of such positions may be Senior Executive Service positions (as that term is described in section 3132(a)(2) of title 5, United States Code).

SEC. 13. CONSOLIDATED REPORT.

The plans and reports required to be submitted to the congressional defense committees under this Act on
or before March 1, 2020, may be combined and submitted
in the form of a single, consolidated document.

SEC. 14. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) The term “Chief Management Officer” means the Chief Management Officer of the Department of Defense.

(2) The terms “congressional defense committees”, “Defense Agency”, “Department of Defense Field Activity”, and “military departments” have the meanings given the terms in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.