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H. R. 1554

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 24, 2001

Mr. FILNER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Time Out for One
5 Year: Osprey Safety Evaluation Act of 2001”.

1 **SEC. 2. RESCISSIONS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds made available in
3 the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2001
4 (Public Law 106–259), the following amounts are re-
5 scinded from the following accounts:

6 (1) “Aircraft Procurement, Navy”,
7 \$852,000,000, of which \$776,760,000 shall be de-
8 rived from “V–22 (Medium Lift)” and \$75,240,000
9 shall be derived from “V–22 (Medium Lift) (AP–
10 CY)”.

11 (2) “Aircraft Procurement, Air Force”,
12 \$346,000,000, of which \$323,000,000 shall be de-
13 rived from “V–22 Osprey” and \$23,000,000 shall be
14 derived from “V–22 Osprey (AP–CY)”.

15 (b) LIMITATION ON USE OF REMAINING FUNDS.—
16 Following the rescission made by subsection (a)(1), the
17 balance of the funds remaining available for obligation in
18 the account involved for “V–22 (Medium Lift)” may be
19 used only to carry out activities necessary to maintain the
20 production base for such aircraft program.

21 **SEC. 3. REPORTS TO CONGRESS.**

22 (a) SECRETARY OF THE NAVY REPORT.—The Sec-
23 retary of the Navy shall submit to Congress a report on
24 the V–22 Osprey aircraft program. The report shall in-
25 clude the following:

1 (1) A description of the activities carried out,
2 and programmed to be carried out, using funds ap-
3 propriated for that program for research, develop-
4 ment, test, and evaluation for fiscal year 2001.

5 (2) A description of the actions taken by the
6 Secretary as a result of the report on that program
7 issued by the Director of Operational Test and Eval-
8 uation of the Department of Defense dated Novem-
9 ber 17, 2000.

10 (3) A description of the manner in which the
11 Marine Corps and the Department of the Navy have
12 responded to the reports of data falsification con-
13 cerning the Osprey aircraft by Marine Corps per-
14 sonnel assigned to Marine Medium Tilt-Rotor Train-
15 ing Squadron 204.

16 (b) INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT.—The Inspector
17 General of the Department of Defense shall submit to
18 Congress a report on the results, as of the submission of
19 the report, of the investigation of the Inspector General
20 into the V-22 Osprey aircraft program.

21 (c) TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF REPORTS.—The re-
22 ports under subsections (a) and (b) shall each be sub-
23 mitted not later than the earlier of the following:

24 (1) The date that is three months after the date
25 of the enactment of this Act.

- 1 (2) The date of the Milestone III decision for
- 2 the V-22 Osprey aircraft program approving the
- 3 entry of that program into full-rate production.

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