

**SEC. 238. REPORT ON POTENTIAL FUTURE HOMELAND BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE OPTIONS.**

(a) **REPORT REQUIRED.**—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 potential future options for homeland ballistic missile defense.

(b) **ELEMENTS.**—The report required by subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) A description of the current assessment of the threat to the United States from long-range ballistic missiles of North Korea and Iran, and an assessment of the projected future threat through 2022, including a discussion of confidence levels in such threat assessment.

(2) A description of the current United States homeland ballistic missile defense capability to defend against the current threat of limited ballistic missile attack from North Korea and Iran.

(3) A description of planned improvements to the current homeland ballistic missile defense system, and the capability enhancements that would result from such planned improvements.

(4) A description of potential additional future options for homeland ballistic missile defense, in addition to those described pursuant to paragraph (3), if the future ballistic missile threat warrants deployment of such options to increase the homeland ballistic missile defense capability, including—

(A) deployment of a missile defense interceptor site on the East Coast;

(B) deployment of a missile defense interceptor site in another location in the United States, other than on the East Coast;

(C) deployment of additional Ground-based Interceptors for the Ground-based Midcourse Defense system at Fort Greely, Alaska, Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, or both;

(D) deployment of Standard Missile-3 Block IIB interceptors on land or at sea; and

(E) any other options the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) **EVALUATION.**—For each option described under subsection (b)(4), the Secretary shall provide an evaluation of the advantages and disadvantages of such option. The evaluation of each option shall include consideration of the following:

(1) Technical feasibility.

(2) Operational effectiveness and utility against the projected future threat.

(3) Cost, cost effectiveness and affordability.

(4) Adaptability to respond to changes in threat evolution.

(d) **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.**—Based on the evaluation required by subsection (c), the Secretary shall include in the report required by subsection (a) such findings, conclusions, and recommendations as the Secretary considers appropriate for potential future options for homeland ballistic missile defense.

(e) **FORM.**—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

**SA 3285.** Mr. MORAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3254, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 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. 1064. COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES REPORT ON POTENTIAL LIABILITY OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR RENEGOTIATION OR CANCELLATION OF CONTRACTS FOR CONFERENCES AND CONVENTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH SPENDING CUTS.**

Not later than \_\_\_\_\_ days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report setting forth an assessment of the potential liability of the Department of Defense, including the military departments and the Defense Agencies, for the renegotiation or cancellation of contracts for conferences and conventions to be hosted by the Department as a result of reductions in funding for the Department in connection with—

(2) directives of the Office of Management and Budget, or other Executive Branch directives, relating to cost saving measures; and

(3) such other funding reduction mechanisms as the Comptroller General identifies for purposes of the report.

**SA 3286.** Mr. LEVIN (for Ms. KLOBUCHAR) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 3542, to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 3, lines 8 through 10, strike “and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate” and insert “, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate, and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate”.

**SA 3287.** Mr. LEVIN (for Mrs. SHAHEEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. LEVIN to the resolution S. Res. 600, supporting the goals and ideals of American Diabetes Month; as follows:

In the fifth whereas clause of the preamble, strike “5,082” and insert “5,205”.

In the tenth whereas clause of the preamble, strike “60” and insert “65”.

In the fifteenth whereas clause of the preamble, strike “each fiscal year” and insert “fiscal year 2005”.

**AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET****COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS**

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 29, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 406 of the Dirksen Senate office building, to conduct a hearing entitled “Sandy and Its Impacts: A Local Perspective.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS**

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 29, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled “Reclaiming Our

Image and Identity for the Next Seven Generations.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on November 29, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 29, 2012, at 10 a.m. in room 432 Russell Senate Office building to conduct a hearing entitled “Creating Jobs and Growing the Economy: Legislative Proposals to Strengthen the Entrepreneurial Ecosystem.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE**

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 29, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Dr. Jim Malachowski, an Air Force fellow assigned to the office of Senator CONRAD, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the debate on S. 3254.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Maj. Leigh Hasson, the defense fellow for Senator BEGICH, be allowed floor privileges for the remainder of the debate on S. 3254.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Ms. AYOTTE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that my Air Force legislative fellow, Active-Duty Maj. Alison “Babs” Kamataris, receive floor privileges for the remainder of the consideration of S. 3254, the Defense authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Russ Cummings, a military fellow from Senator MANCHIN’s office, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the debate on the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2013.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Scott Haller