AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5136, AS REPORTED OFFERED BY MR. BUTTERFIELD OF NORTH CAROLINA

At the end of title XXII, add the following new section:

1	SEC. 28 LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS
2	PENDING SUBMISSION OF REPORTS REGARD-
3	ING CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW OUTLYING
4	LANDING FIELD IN NORTH CAROLINA AND
5	VIRGINIA.
6	(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
7	ings:
8	(1) The Navy has studied the feasibility and po-
9	tential locations of a new Outlying Landing Field
10	(OLF) on the East Coast since 2001.
11	(2) Since January 2008, the Navy has studied
12	five potential sites in North Carolina and Virginia,
13	whose communities have expressed opposition. The
14	local governments of the North Carolina counties
15	where the sites under consideration are located have
16	taken formal action in opposition by resolution and
17	correspondence to the Navy and congressional offi-
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1	(3) In April 2009 the North Carolina General
2	Assembly unanimously passed an amendment to
3	General Statute §104-7 (Federal Enclave), which
4	clearly states North Carolina does not consent to ac-
5	quisition of land by the Federal government in any
6	county which does not already have a military instal-
7	lation "for the purpose of establishing an outlying
8	landing field to support training and operations of
9	aircraft squadrons stationed at or transient to mili-
10	tary bases or military stations located outside of the
11	State."
12	(4) In response to this law and its constitu-
13	tional significance, the Attorney General of North
14	Carolina is monitoring the OLF siting process and
15	all related legal implications.
16	(5) The Commissioner of Agriculture and the
17	Superintendent of Public Instruction of North Caro-
18	lina have stated formal opposition to locating an
19	OLF at the two North Carolina sites as detrimental
20	to the education of children and destructive of a vi-
21	brant agricultural economy.
22	(b) Limitation on Funds Pending Reports.—
23	(1) LIMITATION.—The Secretary of the Navy
24	shall not obligate or expend funds for the study or
25	development of a new OLF in North Carolina or

1	Virginia after fiscal year 2011 until the Secretary
2	has provided the congressional defense committees a
3	report on the Navy's efforts.
4	(2) Elements of Report.—The report re-
5	quired under paragraph (1) shall include the fol-
6	lowing:
7	(A) A description of the actual training re-
8	quirements and completed training events in-
9	volving Fleet Carrier Landing Practice (FCLP)
10	operations at NAS Oceana and NALF Fentress
11	for the previous 10 years, to include statistics
12	for the current fiscal year.
13	(B) An assessment of the aviation training
14	requirements and completed aviation training
15	events conducted on all existing OLFs and in-
16	stallations in the Navy's inventory located on
17	the East Coast, to include statistics for the cur-
18	rent fiscal year.
19	(C) An assessment of the suitability of all
20	Naval installations on the East Coast to con-
21	duct Fleet Carrier Landing Practice (FCLP)
22	operations, including necessary facility modi-
23	fications and requirements to de-conflict with
24	current operations at each installation.

1	(D) A description of the estimated funding
2	necessary to construct a new OLF at each site
3	under consideration, and a cost comparison
4	analysis between construction of a new OLF
5	versus rehabilitation of an existing facility.
6	(E) A description of all completed or pend-
7	ing environmental studies conducted on any site
8	under consideration, including the methodology,
9	conclusions, and recommendations.
10	(F) A description of all contacts by the
11	Navy with local governments and citizens
12	groups at all sites under consideration.
13	(G) Criteria for the basing of the Joint
14	Strike Fighter F-35C aircraft and what OLF
15	facilities will be required to support its training
16	requirements.