

RSC Policy Brief: Over 124 Reporting Requirements in 2013 NDAA

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Background: H.R. 4310 includes a large number of new reporting requirements. A quick check estimated these at around 124 new reports (there may be duplicates in the provided list but it provides a perspective).

These reporting requirements, which may not be a definitive list because it doesn't include all types of reports, creates a large burden upon the DoD in compliance costs. Each report has to be signed off by leadership at the DoD, and the reports sometimes require legal guidance and accounting work. Some of these assessments also require field investigations.

These reporting requirements build from year to year, as some of these reports never sunset and continue on perpetually. It can be argued that these massive reporting requirements have multiple perverse effects:

- A. It creates too many reports to the point that most may never be read.
- B. Entire new bureaucracies have to exist at the Pentagon to deal with these new reporting requirements.
- C. Some of the reports create an incentive to act in certain manner to "look better in the reporting data" that in effect may be incentivizing the wrong type of behavior.
- D. It distracts our military from assisting soldiers in the field.

Within the 2013 NDAA:

- 1. Expected costs and outcomes of eliminating the 48th and 24th Civil Support Teams.
- 2. Fielding new directed energy weapons
- 3. An Active Denial Technology Plan
- 4. Feasibility of standing up a Joint task Force at US Northern Command.
- 5. An analysis on the comparative cost and effectiveness of LCS designed, and which designs will be selected for follow-on purchases after initial block buy.
- 6. Status and future plans for the DOD's collaboration with institutions of higher education for cultural training by Sept 1, 2013.
- 7. Policies, procedures, and guidelines of the DOD for helicopter evacuation of injured members of the Armed Forces
- 8. Requiring a plan to certify sources of electricity to defense critical assets are protected from Electromagnetic Pulse.

- 9. Recognizing direct solar as an energy efficiency technology available to DOD to reduce energy consumption and enhance energy security on military installations and requests a report on existing projects by 12/31/2012.
- 10. Regarding acquisition approaches for rapid and affordable flight demonstration of innovative Vertical Lift X-planes
- 11. China's nuclear weapons program
- 12. A review and analysis of the implementation of the Air Force Launch Services New Entrant Certification.
- 13. The national security implications of using foreign components and propulsion systems for launch vehicles.
- 14. Regarding exports of missile technology by countries receiving US defense assistance.
- 15. The Joint Requirement Oversight Council validated satellite imagery requirements and how the Department plans to address those requirements.
- 16. Regarding foreign counter-space programs.
- 17. Regarding the diversion of export of space technology.
- 18. Regarding the conventional and nuclear forces in the Western Pacific Region
- 19. Sexual harassment incidents in the annual Department of Defense reports on sexual assaults.
- 20. Outlining DOD's plan to address the findings of the March 12 DOD inspector general report on service disabled veteran owned small business (SDVOSB) contracting setasides.
- 21. Military and security developments in North Korea including the combatant commander's assessment of any gaps in intelligence, capabilities, capacity or authorities.
- 22. Concerning cost-imposition/competitive strategies for using resources effectively in today's security environment. This study would be due in 365 days.
- 23. How the Secretary will determine which C-130 aircraft will be retired or relocated.
- 24. Regarding various manning and organizational status of OSC-I personnel.
- 25. Requiring the SecDef to notify via letter when a report required by law will be late. Letter would include report status, explanation of lateness, expected submission date, DOD office responsible, and individual who heads the office.
- 26. Concerning the potential transition to human-based methods of training.
- 27. Recidivism of individuals formerly detained at the detention facility in Parwan, Afghanistan.
- 28. Section 112: Time-sensitive or mission critical airlift requirements of the Army.
- 29. Section 128: Designs of the Littoral Combat Ship, including comparative cost and performance information for both designs of such a ship.
- 30. Section 142: Assessing the operational risk of meeting the steady-state and war-fighting requirements of the commanders of the geographical combatant commands with respect to the Secretary of the Air Force maintaining an inventory of strategic airlift aircraft of less than 301 aircraft.
- 31. Section 145: Review of the C-130 force structure, including how the Secretary will determine which aircraft will be retired, a description of the methodologies underlying such determinations, and the rationale for such determinations. The Comptroller General will then submit a review (report) of this report.
- 32. Section 146: The acquisition strategy for the Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle Program, including anticipated savings, number of vehicle booster cores covered by the

- planned contract, and the number of years covered by the contract. The Comptroller General will submit a review of this report.
- 33. Section 147: Procurement of space-based infrared systems, including savings, type and duration of contract, total contract value, and funding profile by year.
- 34. Section 151: Operational capacity of the F-35 aircraft.
- 35. Section 214: Manned ground moving target indicator capabilities of the air force, including plan to maintain onboard command and control capability, each analysis of alternatives completed during FY12, and details thereof.
- 36. Section 221: Feasibility of developing an AN/TPY-2 radar on a rotational table to allow the radar to quickly change directions.
- 37. Section 226: How the deployment of standard missile-3 block IIB interceptors affects the force structure of the Navy.
- 38. Section 230: Cost-sharing arrangement for the phased, adaptive approach to missile defense in Europe.
- 39. Section 234: Regional missile defense architectures, including the force structure and inventory requirements derived from such architectures, as well as the comprehensive force management process to evaluate such requirements.
- 40. Section 241: Study on the future capabilities of the Marine Corps with respect to electronic warfare.
- 41. Section 242: National Research Council Review of defense science and technical graduate educational needs.
- 42. Section 243: Three-dimensional integrated circuit manufacturing capabilities.
- 43. Section 244: Efforts to field new directed energy weapons
- 44. Section 252: DoD participation in regional advanced technology clusters, implementation thereof, and agreements established by Department of Commerce with DoD to jointly support continued growth of the clusters.
- 45. Section 341: Joint strategy for readiness and training in a C4ISR-denied environment.
- 46. Section 343: Modification of report on maintenance and repair of vessels in foreign shipyards.
- 47. Section 345: Reviewing methodology of DoD relating to costs of performance by civilian employees, military personnel, and contractors.
- 48. Section 346: Medical evaluation policies.
- 49. Section 352: Cost-benefit analysis and risk-based assessment of the aerospace control alert mission.
- 50. Section 507: Amendment to the DoD manpower requirements report, related to diversity requirements.
- 51. Section 526: Feasibility of developing gender-neutral occupational standards for military occupational specialties currently closed to women.
- 52. Section 533: Implementation of the reforms to the offenses relating to rape, sexual assault, and other sexual misconduct under the Uniform Code of Military Justice.
- 53. Section 574: Modification of annual DoD reporting requirements regarding sexual assaults.
- 54. Section 575: Inclusion of sexual harassment incidents in annual DoD reports on sexual assaults.
- 55. Section 581: Results of the review of unrestricted reports of sexual assault.

- 56. Section 595: Results of the pilot program to provide transitional assistance to members of the armed forces with a focus on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.
- 57. Section 701 (167b): Plan to establish the unified medical command and the establishment of the Defense Health Agency.
- 58. Section 716: Results of the pilot program on increased third-party collection reimbursements in military medical treatment facilities.
- 59. Section 717: Pilot program for refills of maintenance medications for Tricare for life beneficiaries through the Tricare mail-order pharmacy program.
- 60. Section 719: Changes which require legislation, regulation, or lack of legislation which can be made to improve the experiences of military families with special-needs children.
- 61. Section 724: Strategy to transition to use of human-based methods for certain medical training.
- 62. Section 901: Meetings of the Strategic Materials Protection Board.
- 63. Section 904: Additional section for report on Developmental Test and Evaluation.
- 64. Section 912: Overhead persistent infrared technology. The comptroller general will then submit a report on this report.
- 65. Section 913: International agreement negotiations concerning outer space activities. Additionally, a report will be submitted on Foreign counter-space programs.
- 66. Section 914: Assessment of foreign components and the space launch capability of the United States.
- 67. Section 915: Counter space technology.
- 68. Section 954: Assessment of effectiveness of regional centers for security studies.
- 69. Section 1003: Armed forces unfunded priorities.
- 70. Section 1034: Outlining the future requirements and authorities to make rewards for combating terrorism.
- 71. Section 1039: Recidivism of individuals detained at Guantanamo Bad that have been transferred to foreign countries. Also a report on the effectiveness of international agreements relating to detainees.
- 72. Section 1040: Use of naval vessels for detention of individuals captured outside Afghanistan pursuant to the authorization for use of military force.
- 73. Section 1042: Recidivism of individuals formerly detained at the detention facility at Parwan, Afghanistan.
- 74. Section 1051: Biennial report on the delivery platforms for nuclear weapons and the nuclear command and control system. Additionally, reports on the modification of the force structure for the strategic nuclear weapons delivery system.
- 75. Section 1053: If there is insufficient funding for the modernization of nuclear weapons stockpiling, a report will be submitted on this subject.
- 76. Section 1057: Reports for each country with nuclear weapons detailing their number of nuclear weapons, modernization plans for such weaponry, production capacity, etc.
- 77. Section 1062: Describing and assessing the actions taken to implement requirements of section 188, among others.
- 78. Section 1063: Capability of conventional and nuclear forces against certain tunnel sites.
- 79. Section 1064: Conventional and nuclear forces in the western pacific region.
- 80. Section 1066: Assessing the use of electromagnetic spectrum by DoD.
- 81. Section 1068: Counter proliferation capabilities, limitations, and shortfalls of DoD.
- 82. Section 1074: Interagency collaboration on unmanned aircraft systems.

- 83. Section 1076: Retirement of aircraft.
- 84. Section 1081: Review of national defense strategic environment. Additionally, assessment of quadrennial defense review. Also, bipartisan independent strategic review of the US Army.
- 85. Section 1212: Office of Security Cooperation in Iraq.
- 86. Section 1214: Data on successful and unsuccessful attacks by the Afghan National Security Forces.
- 87. Section 1215: Updates and modifications to campaign plan for Afghanistan.
- 88. Section 1217: In the event of lack of funding for the Pakistan counterinsurgency fund, a report will be submitted.
- 89. Section 1223: Military power of Iran.
- 90. Section 1231: Military and security developments involving China.
- 91. Section 1232: Military and security developments involving North Korea
- 92. Section 1233: Host nation support for overseas military installations and US armed forces deployed in country.
- 93. Section 1235: Exports of missile defense technology to certain countries.
- 94. Section 1531: Joint improvised explosive device defeat fund.
- 95. Section 1533: Afghan public protection force (quarterly reports)
- 96. Section 1603: Advancing innovation pilot program.
- 97. Section 1611: Office of small business programs.
- 98. Section 1614: Federal procurement contracting performance of the DoD.
- 99. Section 1615: Small business programs transition. An additional report will be submitted on this report.
- 100. Section 1622: Relationship between size and quality of the acquisition workforce and the federal government's ability to maximize the utilization of small businesses in federal procurement.
- 101. Section 1632: Multiple reports on goals for procurement contracts awarded to small business concerns.
- 102. Section 1641: Mentor-protégé program.
- 103. Section 1658: Multiple reports on subcontracting plans.
- 104. Section 1671: Contract bundling and the rationale thereof.
- 105. Section 1684: Suspensions and debarments proposed by small business administration.
- 106. Section 2906: Multiple reports on the DoD base closure account.
- 107. Section 2831: Progress of the operation and maintenance funding to support community adjustments related to realignment of military installations and relocation
- 108. Section 3111: Authorized personnel levels of the office of the administrator. There will be a follow-up report on this report.
- 109. Section 3113: Contractor governance, oversight, and accountability.
- 110. Section 3115: Authority for nuclear safety.
- 111. Section 3118: Cost-benefit analysis for competition of management and operating contracts.
- 112. Section 3119: Fusion ignition (optional report)
- 113. Section 3120: Global security through science partnership program.
- 114. Section 3121: Center of excellence on nuclear security.
- 115. Section 3131: Tritium production program.

- 116. Section 3134: Nuclear stockpile stewardship, management, and infrastructure. Additionally, there will be a Nuclear Weapons Council report.
- 117. Section 3141: Criticality incidents which occurred within the previous 10 years.
- 118. Section 3142: Multiple reports on lifetime extension programs.
- 119. Section 3143: National academy of sciences study on peer review and design competition related to nuclear weapons.
- 120. Section 3144: Defense nuclear nonproliferation programs.
- 121. Section 3145: Reuse of plutonium pits.
- 122. Section 3154: Life extension programs, new nuclear facilities, and other matters.
- 123. Section 3155: Nuclear weapon put production requirement.
- 124. Section 3400: Reasons for the delay and implementation time of board recommendations, if implementation takes longer than 1 year.

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