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H. R. 8164

To amend title 10, United States Code, to improve the climate resilience of the Armed Forces and certain security forces and facilities operated by allies and partners of the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 21, 2022

Mr. PETERS (for himself, Ms. PORTER, and Mr. CROW) 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 “Resilient Defense As-
5 sistance Act of 2022”.

1 **SEC. 2. CLIMATE RESILIENCE ASSISTANCE AND IMPROVE-**
2 **MENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

3 (a) INCLUSION OF CLIMATE RESILIENCE SERVICES
4 IN CERTAIN PROGRAMS OF THE ARMED FORCES.—

5 (1) COMBATANT COMMANDER INITIATIVE
6 FUND.—Section 166a(b) of title 10, United States
7 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following
8 new paragraphs:

9 “(11) Climate resilience of military installations
10 and essential civilian infrastructure.

11 “(12) Military support to civilian and military
12 authorities to combat illegal wildlife trafficking, ille-
13 gal timber trafficking, and illegal, unreported, or un-
14 regulated fishing.”.

15 (2) AUTHORITY TO BUILD CAPACITY OF FOR-
16 EIGN SECURITY FORCES.—Section 333(a) of title 10,
17 United States Code, is amended by adding at the
18 end the following new paragraphs:

19 “(10) Activities to maintain and improve the
20 climate resilience of military installations and facili-
21 ties available for use in international coalition oper-
22 ations.

23 “(11) Activities to combat illegal wildlife traf-
24 ficking, illegal timber trafficking, and illegal, unre-
25 ported, or unregulated fishing.”.

1 (b) CONTRIBUTIONS TO IMPROVE THE CLIMATE RE-
2 SILIENCE OF CERTAIN SECURITY FORCES AND FACILI-
3 TIES OF ALLIES AND PARTNERS OF THE UNITED
4 STATES.—

5 (1) CONTRIBUTIONS.—Part IV of subtitle A of
6 title 10, United States Code, is amended—

7 (A) in section 2350, by striking “(and con-
8 struction incident to base operations support)”
9 and inserting “(including actions to maintain or
10 improve the climate resilience of bases and con-
11 struction incident to base operations support)”;

12 (B) in section 2806(a), by striking “acqui-
13 sition and construction” and inserting “acquisi-
14 tion, construction, and climate resilience”; and

15 (C) by inserting after such section the fol-
16 lowing new section:

17 **“§ 2806a. Contributions to improve the climate resil-**
18 **ience of certain facilities of allies and**
19 **partners of the United States.**

20 “(a) CONTRIBUTIONS.—From amounts appropriated
21 to carry out this section, the Secretary of Defense may
22 make contributions to the Federal share of the cost of con-
23 struction, and other projects, to preserve or improve the
24 climate resilience of—

1 “(1) military facilities and installations of an
2 ally or partner of the United States; or

3 “(2) a civilian airfield or seaport of an ally or
4 partner of the United States that the Secretary de-
5 termines is suitable for military use.

6 “(b) LIMITATION ON CONTRIBUTIONS.—Funds may
7 not be obligated or expended pursuant to this section un-
8 less such funds have been authorized by law for such pur-
9 pose.

10 “(c) ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—

11 “(1) The Secretary may make an additional
12 contribution for a construction or other project for
13 which the Secretary has made a contribution under
14 subsection (a) if—

15 “(A) such additional contribution is in an
16 amount that is greater than the amount appro-
17 priated to carry out this section; and

18 “(B) the amount of the additional con-
19 tribution is not greater than 200 percent of the
20 maximum amount specified in section 2805(a)
21 for a minor military construction project.

22 “(2) An additional contribution described in
23 paragraph (1) may exceed the limitation in such
24 paragraph—

1 “(A) if the sum of the additional contribu-
2 tion and the contribution under subsection (a)
3 is not greater than 125 percent of the amount
4 appropriated to carry out this section; and

5 “(B) after the end of a 14-day period be-
6 ginning on the date on which the Secretary sub-
7 mits to Congress—

8 “(i) notice of such additional contribu-
9 tion;

10 “(ii) reasons for such additional con-
11 tribution; and

12 “(iii) the source of funds to be used
13 for such additional contribution.”.

14 (2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
15 There is authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-
16 retary \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2023 to carry out
17 section 2806a of title 10, United States Code, as
18 added by paragraph (1)(C).

19 (3) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
20 tions at the beginning of subchapter I of chapter
21 169 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by
22 inserting after the item relating to section 2806 the
23 following new item:

“2806a. Contributions to improve the climate resilience of certain facilities of
allies and partners of the United States.”.

1 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE
2 DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL INTERNATIONAL COOPERA-
3 TION PROGRAM.—There is authorized to be appropriated
4 to the Secretary of Defense \$10,000,000 for fiscal year
5 2023 to carry out the Defense Environmental Inter-
6 national Cooperation program.

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