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To require Comptroller General of the United States reports on the major automated information system programs of the Department of Defense.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. MCCAIN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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. COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED  
4 STATES REPORTS ON THE MAJOR AUTO-  
5 MATED INFORMATION SYSTEM PROGRAMS  
6 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

7 (a) ASSESSMENT REPORTS REQUIRED.—

1 General of the United States shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report setting forth an assessment of the performance of the major automated information system programs of the Department of Defense.

6 (2) ELEMENTS.—Each report under subsection

7 (a) shall include the following:

8 (A) An assessment by the Comptroller General of the cost, schedule, and performance of a representative variety of major automated information system programs selected by the Comptroller General for purposes of such report.

14 (B) An assessment by the Comptroller General of the level of risk associated with the programs selected under subparagraph (A) for purposes of such report, and a description of the actions taken by the Department to manage or reduce such risk.

20 (C) An assessment by the Comptroller General of the extent to the programs selected under subparagraph (A) for purposes of such report employ best practices for the acquisition of information technology systems, as identified

1                   by the Comptroller General, the Defense  
2                   Science Board, and the Department.

3                   (b) PRELIMINARY REPORT.—

4                   (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September  
5                   30, 2012, the Comptroller General shall submit to  
6                   the appropriate committees of Congress a report set-  
7                   ting forth the following:

8                   (A) The metrics to be used by the Com-  
9                   troller General for the reports submitted under  
10                   subsection (a).

11                   (B) A preliminary assessment on the mat-  
12                   ters set forth under subsection (a)(2).

13                   (2) BRIEFINGS.—In developing metrics for pur-  
14                   poses of the report required by paragraph (1)(A),  
15                   the Comptroller General shall provide the appro-  
16                   priate committees of Congress with periodic brief-  
17                   ings on the development of such metrics.

18                   (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19                   (1) The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
20                   gress” means—

21                   (A) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
22                   Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-  
23                   mental Affairs, and the Committee on Approp-  
24                   riations of the Senate; and

1 (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
2 Committee on Oversight and Government Re-  
3 form, and the Committee on Appropriations of  
4 the House of Representatives.