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(2) APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 169 OF TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—When exercising the authority under subsection (a), the Commander shall, for purposes of chapter 169 of title 10, United States Code, be considered the Secretary concerned.

(h) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than December 31, 2024, and annually thereafter until the termination date in subsection (i), the Commander shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing a list of projects funded, lessons learned, and, subject to the concurrence of the Secretary of Defense, recommended adjustments to the authority under this section for the most recently ended fiscal year covered by the report.

(i) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out a project under this section expires on March 31, 2029.

SEC. 2811. AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT ENERGY RESILIENCE AND CONSERVATION PROJECTS AT INSTALLATIONS AT WHICH CERTAIN ENERGY PROJECTS HAVE OCCURRED.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (k) of section 2688 of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“(k) IMPROVEMENT OF CONVEYED UTILITY SYSTEM.—(1) In the case of a utility system that has been conveyed under this section and that only provides utility services to a military installation, the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of a military department may authorize a contract on a sole source basis with the conveyee of the utility system to carry out a military construction project as authorized and appropriated for by law for an infrastructure improvement that enhances the reliability, resilience, efficiency, physical security, or cybersecurity of the utility system.

“(2) The Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of a military department may convey under subsection (j) any infrastructure constructed under paragraph (1) that is in addition to the utility system conveyed under such paragraph.”

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note.

(b) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INFRASTRUCTURE RESILIENCE AND READINESS.—

(1) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the military department concerned may utilize existing areawide contracts to procure utility services from a utility service supplier—

(A) to support installation energy resilience and mission readiness;

(B) for the protection of critical infrastructure of the Department of Defense located at a military installation; and

(C) to achieve energy resilience at military installations through implementation of utility system infrastructure projects, to include facilities sustainment, restoration, and modernization of such infrastructure.

(2) SUNSET.—The authority under this subsection shall terminate on September 30, 2032.

(3) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(A) AREAWIDE CONTRACT.—The term “areawide contract” means a contract entered into between the General Services Administration and a utility service supplier under section 501 of title 40, United States Code, to procure the utility service needs of Federal agencies within the franchise territory of the supplier.

(B) ENERGY RESILIENCE.—The term “energy resilience” has the meaning given the term in section 101(e) of title 10, United States Code.

(C) FRANCHISE TERRITORY.—The term “franchise territory” means a geographical area that a utility service supplier has a right to serve based upon a franchise granted by an independent regulatory body, a certificate of public convenience and necessity, or other legal means.

(D) UTILITY SERVICE.—The term “utility service”—

(i) means a utility or service described in section 2872a(b) of title 10, United States Code;

(ii) includes the services supplied by a utility service supplier described in an areawide contract such as connection, change, disconnection, continue service, line extension, alteration or relocation, metering, and special facilities, including primary generation, backup generation, microgrid controls, charging capabilities, and any supporting infrastructure; and

(iii) includes ancillary services, including total maintenance and repair, major restoration and repair, studies, and any other services, as appropriate.

(E) UTILITY SERVICE SUPPLIER.—The term “utility service supplier” means an entity that supplies a utility service.

(F) UTILITY SYSTEM.—The term “utility system” has the meaning given the term in subsections (i)(1)(A) and (i)(2)(A) of section 2688 of title 10, United States Code.

Subtitle B—Military Housing Reforms

SEC. 2821. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MILITARY FAMILY READINESS WORKING GROUP FOR MILITARY HOUSING.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e) of section 1781a of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“(e) MILITARY FAMILY READINESS WORKING GROUP FOR MILITARY HOUSING.—

“(1) There is in the Council the Military Family Readiness Working Group for Military Housing (in this section referred to as the ‘Housing Working Group’).

“(2)(A) The Housing Working Group shall be composed of the following members:

“(i) The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment, who shall serve as chair of the Housing Working Group on a nondelegable basis.

“(ii) One representative of each of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force—

“(I) each of whom shall be a member of the armed force to be represented; and

“(II) not fewer than two of whom shall be enlisted members.

“(iii) One spouse of a member of each of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force on active duty, not fewer than two of which shall be the spouse of an enlisted member.