

1 *bility for the development and demonstration of directed en-*
2 *ergy weapons pursuant to section 219(a)(1) of such Act*
3 *(Public Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C. 2431 note), as amended*
4 *by subsection (e).*

5 **SEC. 220. AUTHORITY FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DE-**
6 **FENSE FOR RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING TO**
7 **PROMOTE INNOVATION IN THE DEPARTMENT**
8 **OF DEFENSE.**

9 *The Secretary of Defense shall establish procedures*
10 *under which the Under Secretary of Defense for Research*
11 *and Engineering may request a time-limited review and*
12 *if necessary require coordination on and modification of*
13 *proposed directives, rules, regulations, and other policies*
14 *that in Under Secretary's view would adversely affect the*
15 *ability of the innovation, research, and engineering enter-*
16 *prise of the Department of Defense to effectively and effi-*
17 *ciently execute its missions, including policies and practices*
18 *concerning the following:*

- 19 (1) *Personnel and talent management.*
20 (2) *Financial management and budgeting.*
21 (3) *Infrastructure, installations, and military*
22 *construction.*
23 (4) *Acquisition.*
24 (5) *Management.*

1 (6) *Such other areas as the Secretary may des-*
2 *ignate.*

3 **SEC. 221. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR F-**
4 **35 JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER FOLLOW-ON MOD-**
5 **ERNIZATION.**

6 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this*
7 *Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2018 or any*
8 *other fiscal year for the Department of Defense may be obli-*
9 *gated for F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Follow-On Moderniza-*
10 *tion until the Secretary of Defense provides the final report*
11 *required under section 224(d) of the National Defense Au-*
12 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328).*

13 **SEC. 222. IMPROVEMENT OF UPDATE PROCESS FOR**
14 **POPULATING MISSION DATA FILES USED IN**
15 **ADVANCED COMBAT AIRCRAFT.**

16 *(a) IMPROVEMENTS TO UPDATE PROCESS.—*

17 (1) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall*
18 *take such actions as may be necessary to improve the*
19 *process used to update the mission data files used in*
20 *advanced combat aircraft of the United States so that*
21 *such updates can occur more quickly.*

22 (2) *REQUIREMENTS.—In improving the process*
23 *under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall ensure the*
24 *following:*



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