SEC. ___. AUTHORITY TO EMPLOY CIVILIAN FACULTY MEMBERS AT INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE COLLEGE.

Section 1595(c) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(5) The Inter-American Defense College.".

Section-by-Section Analysis

The Inter-American Defense College (IADC) is a senior-service, international, joint academic institution that serves as a center for security and defense studies serving military, national police and government civilians from nations throughout the Western Hemisphere. The IADC in 50 years of existence has over 2,500 graduates, who include over 775 General and Flag Officers, 31 Ministers and 3 Heads of State. Through its focus on strategic engagement the IADC has developed a robust alumni network of senior military, government and non-government leaders with significant impact on defense and security in the hemisphere. The IADC provides an education without equal in terms of number of partner, and non-partner nations contributing material and personnel to a single organization for the purposes of strengthening security relationships and developing an advance educational background.

The IADC is one component of the Inter-American Defense Board (IADB), and is subordinate to the Council of Delegates, comprised of delegations from 27 nations of the Organization of the American States, including the United States Government, represented at the IADB, by J-5 Western Hemisphere (WHEM). The Council has mandated that the IADC seek to achieve an advanced level of education, specifically seeking the capability to bestow a Master's Degree. In order to achieve this end, the IADC is directed to see accreditation by a U.S. accrediting institution. One requirement for accreditation is a permanent, professional faculty teaching coursework at the IADC.

Additionally, the IADC has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the U.S. Delegation to the IADB (J-5 WHEM) and the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Americas' Security Affairs (OASD(HD&ASA)) in which the IADC is given a role "commensurate with the standards of U.S. senior service colleges." Currently, Department of Defense educational institutions, primarily the National Defense University, have Title 10 authority to hire civilians as professors, instructors or lecturers, to include international personnel.

Therefore, the IADC seeks similar Title 10 authority to hire international civilians as professors, instructors and lecturers as a key component to satisfying the requirements placed on the IADC.

This provision is necessary for the IADC to maintain a permanent faculty required to teach an advanced course in Hemispheric Defense and Security for senior military and governmental civilians from Western Hemisphere nations. With this requirement fulfilled, the IADC can pursue accreditation from a U.S. accrediting institution to bestow a Masters of Arts degree to its students. The IADC has played an integral role within an international context in strengthening defense and security in the hemisphere for over 50 years.

Budgetary Implication: This proposal would not increase the overall budget requirements of the Department of Defense. The IADC is currently funded at an appropriate manning level for U.S. civilians. As an international organization, the IADC currently hires on a contract basis international instructors, but this yearly instruction contracting does not satisfy the required goal of a recognized and accredited academic program, by the IADB and approved by the U.S. Delegation to the IADB. Therefore, with this authority, the IADC will hire international professors in lieu of the two U.S. GS-15 personnel currently funded at the College, obligating no additional costs.

RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS ($MILLIONS)									
	FY 2014	**FY 2015**	**FY 2016**	**FY 2017**	**FY 2018**	**Appropriation From**	**Budget Activity**	**Dash-1 Line Item**	**Program Element**
JCS	0	0	0	0	0				
Total	0	0	0	0	0				

Changes to Existing Law: This proposal would amend section 1595 of title 10, United States Code, as follows:

§ 1595. Civilian faculty members at certain Department of Defense schools: employment and compensation

(a) AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY.—The Secretary of Defense may employ as many civilians as professors, instructors, and lecturers at the institutions specified in subsection (c) as the Secretary considers necessary.

(b) COMPENSATION OF FACULTY MEMBERS.—The compensation of persons employed under this section shall be as prescribed by the Secretary.

(c) COVERED INSTITUTIONS.—This section applies with respect to the following institutions of the Department of Defense:

(1) The National Defense University.
(2) The Foreign Language Center of the Defense Language Institute.
(3) The English Language Center of the Defense Language Institute.
(4) The Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation.
(5) The Inter-American Defense College.

(d) APPLICATION TO FACULTY MEMBERS AT NDU.—In the case of the National Defense University, this section applies with respect to persons selected by the Secretary for employment as professors, instructors, and lecturers at the National Defense University after February 27, 1990.