SEC. ___01. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF RELATING TO ADVICE ON ONGOING MILITARY OPERATIONS.

Section 153 (a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraph (6) as paragraph (9); and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (5) the following new paragraph (6):

"(6) ONGOING OPERATIONS.—Providing advice to the President and the Secretary on daily and ongoing military operations.".

[Note: The "Changes to Existing Law" section below sets out in red-line format how the legislative text would amend existing law.]

Section-by-Section Analysis

This proposal would amend section 153 of title 10, United States Code, to codify the duty of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to advise the President and the Secretary of Defense on daily and ongoing military operations. This proposal would align the Chairman's statutory functions with his actual responsibilities.

Budgetary Implications: There are no budget implications to this proposal. The proposal codifies existing responsibilities and is not expected to result in any major change in the functions of the Joint Staff.

Changes to Existing Law: The proposal would make the following changes to title 10, United States Code:

TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE

*** * * * * * ***

CHAPTER 5—JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

*** * * * * * ***

§153. Chairman: functions

(a) PLANNING; ADVICE; POLICY FORMULATION.—Subject to the authority, direction, and control of the President and the Secretary of Defense, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall be responsible for the following:

(1) ***

(5) JOINT FORCE DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.—(A) Developing doctrine for the joint employment of the armed forces.

(B) Formulating policies and technical standards, and executing actions, for the joint training of the armed forces.

(C) Formulating policies for coordinating the military education of members of the armed forces.

(D) Formulating policies for concept development and experimentation for the joint employment of the armed forces.

(E) Formulating policies for gathering, developing, and disseminating joint lessons learned for the armed forces.

(F) Advising the Secretary on development of joint command, control, communications, and cyber capability, including integration and interoperability of such capability, through requirements, integrated architectures, data standards, and assessments.

(6) ONGOING OPERATIONS.—Providing advice to the President and the Secretary on daily and ongoing military operations.

(~~6~~9) OTHER MATTERS.—(A) Providing for representation of the United States on the Military Staff Committee of the United Nations in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations.

(B) Performing such other duties as may be prescribed by law or by the President or the Secretary of Defense.

(b)***