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4 **PART I—ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT**

5 **SEC. 931. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF SPACE OPERATIONS.**

6 (a) In general.—Chapter 908 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking
7 section 9083 and inserting the following new sections:

8 **“§ 9083. Office of the Chief of Space Operations: function; composition**

9 “(a) FUNCTION.—There is in the executive part of the Department of the Air Force an
10 Office of the Chief of Space Operations to assist the Secretary of the Air Force in carrying out
11 the responsibilities of the Secretary.

12 “(b) COMPOSITION.—The Office of the Chief of Space Operations is composed of the
13 following:

14 “(1) The Chief of Space Operations.

15 “(2) Such other offices and officials as may be established by law or as the
16 Secretary of the Air Force may establish or designate.

1 “(3) Other members of the Space Force and Air Force assigned or detailed to the
2 Office of the Chief of Space Operations.

3 “(4) Civilian employees in the Department of the Air Force assigned or detailed to
4 the Office of the Chief of Space Operations.

5 “(c) ORGANIZATION.—Except as otherwise specifically prescribed by law, the Office of
6 the Chief of Space Operations shall be organized in such manner, and the members of the Office
7 of the Chief of Space Operations shall perform such duties and have such titles, as the Secretary
8 of the Air Force may prescribe.

9 **“§ 9084. Office of the Chief of Space Operations: general duties**

10 “(a) PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE.—The Office of the Chief of Space Operations shall
11 furnish professional assistance to the Secretary of the Air Force, the Chief of Space Operations,
12 and other personnel of the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force or the Office of the Chief of
13 Space Operations.

14 “(b) AUTHORITIES.—Under the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of the
15 Air Force, the Office of the Chief of Space Operations shall—

16 “(1) subject to subsections (c) and (d) of section 9014 of this title, prepare for such
17 employment of the Space Force, and for such recruiting, organizing, supplying, equipping
18 (including research and development), training, servicing, mobilizing, demobilizing,
19 administering, and maintaining of the Space Force, as will assist in the execution of any
20 power, duty, or function of the Secretary of the Air Force or the Chief of Space
21 Operations;

22 “(2) investigate and report upon the efficiency of the Space Force and its
23 preparation to support military operations by commanders of the combatant commands;

1 “(3) prepare detailed instructions for the execution of approved plans and
2 supervise the execution of those plans and instructions;

3 “(4) as directed by the Secretary of the Air Force or the Chief of Space
4 Operations, coordinate the action of organizations of the Space Force; and

5 “(5) perform such other duties, not otherwise assigned by law, as may be
6 prescribed by the Secretary of the Air Force.”.

7 (b) TABLE OF SECTIONS AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter
8 908 of such title is amended by striking the item related to section 9083 and adding at the end the
9 following new items:

 “9083. Office of the Chief of Space Operations: function; composition.

 “9084. Office of the Chief of Space Operations: general duties.”.

10 **SEC. 932. CLARIFICATION OF PROCUREMENT OF COMMERCIAL SATELLITE**
11 **COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 963 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting
13 before section 9532 the following new section:

14 **“§ 9531. Procurement of commercial satellite communications services**

15 “The Secretary of the Air Force shall be responsible for the procurement of commercial
16 satellite communications services for the Department of Defense.”.

17 (b) TABLE OF SECTIONS AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter
18 963 of such title is amended by inserting before the item relating to section 9532 the following
19 new item:

 “9531. Procurement of commercial satellite communications services.”.

20 **SEC. 933. TEMPORARY EXEMPTION FROM AUTHORIZED DAILY AVERAGE OF**
21 **MEMBERS IN PAY GRADES E-8 AND E-9.**

1 Section 517 of title 10, United States Code, shall not apply to the Space Force until
2 October 1, 2023.

3 **SEC. 934. APPLICATION OF ACQUISITION DEMONSTRATION PROJECT TO**
4 **DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE EMPLOYEES ASSIGNED TO**
5 **SUPPORT THE SPACE FORCE.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 81 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at
7 the end the following new section:

8 **“§ 1599i. Application of acquisition demonstration project to Department of the Air Force**
9 **employees assigned to support the Space Force**

10 “For purposes of the demonstration project authorized by section 1762 of this title, the
11 Secretary of Defense may apply the provisions of such section, including any regulations,
12 procedures, waivers, or guidance implementing such section, to employees of the Department of
13 the Air Force assigned to support the Space Force as if they were members of the acquisition
14 workforce.”.

15 (b) TABLE OF SECTIONS AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of such
16 chapter is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

“1599i. Application of acquisition demonstration project to Department of the Air Force employees assigned to
support the Space Force.”.

17 **SEC. 935. SPACE FORCE MEDAL.**

18 (a) SPACE FORCE MEDAL.—Chapter 937 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by
19 inserting after section 9280 the following new section:

20 **“§ 9280a. Space Force Medal: award; limitations**

21 “(a) The President may award a decoration called the ‘Space Force Medal’, of appropriate
22 design with accompanying ribbon, to any person who, while serving in any capacity with the

1 Space Force, distinguishes himself or herself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an
2 enemy.

3 “(b) Not more than one Space Force Medal may be awarded to a person. However, for
4 each succeeding act that would otherwise justify award of such a medal, the President may award
5 a suitable bar or other device to be worn as the President directs.”.

6 (b) TABLE OF SECTIONS AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of such
7 chapter is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 9280 the following new item:

“9280a. Space Force Medal: award; limitations.”.

8 **SEC. 936. ONE-TIME UNIFORM ALLOWANCE FOR MEMBERS TRANSFERRED TO**
9 **THE SPACE FORCE.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force may provide an officer or enlisted
11 member who transfers from the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps to the Space Force an
12 allowance of not more than \$400 as reimbursement for the purchase of required uniforms and
13 equipment.

14 (b) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER ALLOWANCES.—The allowance under this section is in
15 addition to any allowance available under any other provision of law.

16 (c) SOURCE OF FUNDS.—Funds for allowances provided under subsection (a) in a fiscal
17 year may be derived only from amounts authorized to be appropriated for military personnel for
18 such fiscal year.

19 (d) APPLICABILITY.—The authority for an allowance under this section shall apply with
20 respect to any member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps who transfers to the
21 Space Force on or after December 20, 2019, and on or before September 30, 2023.

PART II—TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS

[Please 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

Sec. 931. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF SPACE OPERATIONS.

This section includes two new statutes to codify the function, composition, and general duties of the Office of the Chief of Space Operations (OCSO). These statutes are substantially similar to 10 U.S.C. §§ 9031-9032, which provide for the function, composition, and general duties of the Air Staff.

The proposed 10 U.S.C. § 9083 establishes the Office of the Chief of Space Operations in the executive part of the Department of the Air Force; provides that the OCSO is composed of the Chief of Space Operations (CSO) and other members of the Space Force and Air Force and Department of the Air Force civilians.

The proposed 10 U.S.C. § 9084 establishes the general duties of the OCSO: to furnish professional assistance to the Secretary of the Air Force, CSO, and other personnel in the Secretariat and OCSO; to assist the Secretary of the Air Force and CSO in carrying out their organize, train, and equip responsibilities; and to coordinate the action of organizations of the Space Force.

SEC. 932. CLARIFICATION OF PROCUREMENT OF COMMERCIAL SATELITE COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES.

This section is a savings clause that retains the responsibility for procurement of commercial satellite communication services within the Department of the Air Force. The FY20 National Defense Authorization Act repealed the authority of the Commander, Air Force Space Command to fulfill this requirement with establishment of the Space Force.

SEC. 933. TEMPORARY EXEMPTION FROM AUTHORIZED DAILY AVERAGE OF MEMBERS IN PAY GRADES E-8 AND E-9.

This section would provide an exemption for the Space Force from the authorized daily average of members in pay grades E-8 and E-9 under 10 U.S.C. 517 until October 1, 2023.

SEC. 934. APPLICATION OF ACQUISITION DEMONSTRATION PROJECT TO DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE EMPLOYEES ASSIGNED TO SUPPORT THE SPACE FORCE.

This section would allow the Secretary of Defense to apply Acquisition Demonstration Project authorities to all Department of the Air Force civilian employees assigned to support the Space Force in order to enable the Space Force to appropriately build and manage a highly technical and skilled professional workforce.

SEC. 935. SPACE FORCE MEDAL.

This section would establish the Space Force Medal, the equivalent award in the Space Force to the Airman’s Medal in the Air Force.

SEC. 936. ONE-TIME UNIFORM ALLOWANCE FOR MEMBERS TRANSFERRED TO THE SPACE FORCE.

This section would provide for a one-time uniform allowance of \$400 paid from appropriated funds for officers and enlisted members who transfer to the Space Force from another service in order to purchase required uniform items and equipment. The authority is retroactive to the establishment of the Space Force on December 20, 2019 and expires on September 30, 2023.

Budget Implications: The resources impacted are reflected in the table below and existing funds within the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 President’s Budget request can be made available for these purposes without impact to other programs.

RESOURCE IMPACT (\$MILLIONS) – Sec. 936. Uniform Allowance Costs									
Program	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Appropriation	Budget Activity	BLI/SAG	Program Element (for all RDT&E programs)
Officer	\$1.03	\$0.12	\$0.10	0	0	Military Personnel, Air Force	01		N/A
Enlisted	\$1.54	\$0.19	\$0.15	0	0	Military Personnel, Air Force	02		N/A
Total	\$2.57	\$0.31	\$0.25	0	0				

RESOURCE IMPACT (\$MILLIONS) – Sec. 934. Acquisition Demonstration Project Expansion									
Program	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Appropriation	Budget Activity	BLI/SAG	Program Element (for all RDT&E programs)
Basic Pay	\$0.35	\$0.37	\$0.41	\$0.46	\$0.52	Operation and Maintenance, Air Force	04	42A	N/A
Additional Pay	\$0.09	\$0.18	\$0.27	\$0.36	\$0.37	Operation and Maintenance, Air Force	04	42A	N/A
Total	\$0.44	\$0.55	\$0.68	\$0.82	\$0.89				

Changes to Existing Law: This proposal would repeal section 9083 of title 10, United States Code, as follows:

~~§9083. Officer career field for space~~

~~The Secretary of the Air Force shall establish and implement policies and procedures to develop a career field for officers in the Air Force with technical competence in space-related matters to have the capability to-~~

- ~~(1) develop space doctrine and concepts of space operations;~~
- ~~(2) develop space systems; and~~
- ~~(3) operate space systems.~~