

119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 6557

To amend title 10, United States Code, to establish the Center for Strategic Deterrence and Weapons of Mass Destruction Studies in the Institute for National Strategic Studies of National Defense University.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 10, 2025

Mr. BACON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “The Center for Stra-  
5 tegic Deterrence and Weapons of Mass Destruction Stud-  
6 ies Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. CENTER FOR STRATEGIC DETERRENCE AND WEAP-**  
2 **ONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION STUDIES.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Section 2165(b) of title 10,  
4 United States Code, is amended, in paragraph (4), by in-  
5 serting “(including a Center for Strategic Deterrence and  
6 Weapons of Mass Destruction Studies)” after “The Insti-  
7 tute for National Strategic Studies”.

8 (b) MISSION.—The mission of the Center for Stra-  
9 tegic Deterrence and Weapons of Mass Destruction Stud-  
10 ies established under such paragraph shall be to—

11 (1) prepare national security leaders to address  
12 the challenges of strategic deterrence and weapons  
13 of mass destruction through education, research,  
14 and outreach activities throughout the Federal Gov-  
15 ernment;

16 (2) develop leaders with an understanding of  
17 strategic deterrence and the implications of weapons  
18 of mass destruction;

19 (3) in accordance with guidance provided by the  
20 Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, develop and  
21 provide appropriate curricula, learning outcomes,  
22 and educational tools relating to strategic deterrence  
23 and weapons of mass destruction for use at institu-  
24 tions that provide joint professional military edu-  
25 cation;

1           (4) serve as the primary institution within the  
2 Department of Defense for the study of strategic de-  
3 terrence and weapons of mass destruction education  
4 in joint professional military education;

5           (5) design, develop, and implement studies and  
6 analyses to enhance understanding of—

7                 (A) strategic deterrence;

8                 (B) the threat of weapons of mass destruc-  
9 tion to the security of the United States and  
10 globally; and

11                (C) responses to prevent, mitigate, or  
12 eliminate the threat in accordance with Depart-  
13 ment and national security policies and strate-  
14 gies; and

15           (6) provide expert support on strategic deter-  
16 rence and weapons of mass destruction issues to the  
17 Secretary of Defense and other Federal Government  
18 leaders.

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