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

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. PILOT PROGRAM FOR EMERGING TECH-**
4 **NOLOGIES FOR MOISTURE CONTROL AND**
5 **MITIGATION.**

6 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 90 days after
7 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
8 Defense shall carry out a pilot program to assess and im-

1 plement emerging technologies for moisture control and
2 mitigation in covered housing.

3 (b) SELECTION OF LOCATIONS.—The Secretary shall
4 select not fewer than three and not more than five military
5 installations at which to carry out the pilot program estab-
6 lished under subsection (a). The Secretary shall prioritize
7 selection of military installations in regions with elevated
8 climate-related risk factors for mold growth, such as per-
9 sistent humidity, frequent rainfall, or outdated HVAC in-
10 frastructure.

11 (c) ELEMENTS.—In carrying out the pilot program
12 established under this section, the Secretary shall—

13 (1) install moisture detection systems with ad-
14 vanced capabilities, including sensor-based humidity
15 or spore monitoring technologies capable of gener-
16 ating early warnings for environmental risk condi-
17 tions;

18 (2) implement noninvasive or technology-en-
19 abled mold remediation tools, such as antimicrobial
20 coatings, dry fogging systems, or UV-based steriliza-
21 tion units;

22 (3) define infrastructure requirements, includ-
23 ing upgrades to building materials or HVAC sys-
24 tems, necessary to support sustained mold preven-
25 tion using the selected moisture detection systems;

1 (4) train relevant personnel on the deployment,
2 maintenance, and data interpretation of selected
3 moisture detection systems;

4 (5) designate an individual at each military in-
5 stallation selected under subsection (b) to oversee
6 the implementation of the pilot program; and

7 (6) develop a strategic implementation and eval-
8 uation plan to assess performance of the selected
9 moisture detection systems and inform future deci-
10 sions relating to such systems.

11 (d) REPORT AND BRIEFINGS.—

12 (1) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after
13 the termination date in subsection (e), the Secretary
14 of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense
15 committees a report on the results of the pilot pro-
16 gram, including recommendations for broader imple-
17 mentation and an assessment of costs and benefits.

18 (2) BRIEFINGS.—Upon completion of the plan
19 required under subsection (c)(6), the Secretary shall
20 provide to the congressional defense committees a
21 briefing on the plan and any preliminary findings.

22 (e) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the
23 pilot program under this section shall terminate on the
24 date that is five years after the date of the enactment of
25 this Act.

1 (f) COVERED HOUSING DEFINED.—In this section,
2 the term “covered housing” means housing provided under
3 subchapter II or subchapter IV of chapter 169 of title 10,
4 United States Code.

5 **SEC. 2. STANDARDIZATION OF MOLD REMEDIATION GUIDE-**
6 **LINES ACROSS MILITARY DEPARTMENTS.**

7 (a) REQUIREMENT TO ESTABLISH COMMON GUIDE-
8 LINES.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the en-
9 actment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordina-
10 tion with the Secretaries of the military departments, shall
11 develop and implement uniform guidelines for the remedi-
12 ation of mold in military housing, facilities, and other real
13 property under jurisdiction of each such Secretary.

14 (b) CONSISTENCY WITH ESTABLISHED STAND-
15 ARDS.—The guidelines required under subsection (a) shall
16 be consistent with—

17 (1) applicable municipal and State health and
18 environmental standards; and

19 (2) third-party industry standards, including
20 the standard of the Institute of Inspection Cleaning
21 and Restoration Certification titled “S520 Standard
22 for Professional Mold Remediation”, or any suc-
23 cessor standard.

24 (c) APPLICABILITY.—The guidelines required under
25 subsection (a) shall apply—

1 (1) to contracts or task orders for mold remedi-
2 ation entered into on or after the date of the
3 issuance of such guidelines; and

4 (2) to mold remediation procedures conducted
5 on or after such date of issuance.

6 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
7 of the issuance of the guidelines under subsection (a), the
8 Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries
9 of the military departments, shall submit to the congres-
10 sional defense committees a report that includes the guide-
11 lines and describes plans for implementation of the guide-
12 lines and monitoring compliance with the guidelines.

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