The committee recommends a provision that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish and maintain a centralized database of military technician positions within the Department of Defense (DOD).

The committee notes that the September 30, 2013, Center for Naval Analyses report titled, “Report on the Termination of Military Technician as a Distinct Personnel Management Category,” criticized DOD for lacking data that clearly identifies military technicians as a “fundamental problem” inhibiting oversight of a complex personnel program. The committee directs the Secretary to report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives by no later than January 1, 2015, on the numbers of military technicians within DOD, dual status and nondual status, where they are assigned, and a short description of their assigned duties, as of September 30, 2014.

SEC. 512. DATABASE ON MILITARY TECHNICIAN POSITIONS.

(a) CENTRALIZED DATABASE REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense shall, in consultation with the Secretaries of the military departments, establish and maintain a centralized database of information on the military technician positions of the Department of Defense. The database shall contain and set forth current information on all military technician positions of the Armed Forces.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The database under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An identification of each military technician position, whether dual-status or non-dual status.

(2) For each position identified pursuant to paragraph (1)—

(A) a description of the functions of such position;

(B) a statement of the military necessity for such position; and

(C) a statement whether such position—

(i) is a general administration, clerical, or office service occupation; or

(ii) is tied directly to the maintenance of military readiness.