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# H. R. 10166

To direct the Secretary of Defense to designate a Coordinator for Engagement with PFAS-impacted defense communities.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FITZPATRICK (for himself and Mr. KILDEE) 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. COORDINATOR FOR ENGAGEMENT FOR PFAS-**  
4 **IMPACTED DEFENSE COMMUNITIES.**

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than one year after  
6 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall des-  
7 ignate an official of the Department of Defense as the  
8 “Coordinator for Engagement with Defense Communities  
9 Affected by PFAS”.

1 (b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The responsibilities of the  
2 Coordinator designated under subsection (a) are—

3 (1) to improve the outreach, education, and  
4 communication efforts of the Department with re-  
5 spect to current or former defense communities lo-  
6 cated in the United States that have been affected  
7 by the contamination or leakage of perfluoroalkyl  
8 and polyfluoroalkyl substances (referred to in this  
9 section as “PFAS”); and

10 (2) to serve as a dedicated liaison between the  
11 Department of State and local governments, advoca-  
12 cacy organizations, and individual citizens in the  
13 current and former defense communities where the  
14 Department has ongoing or incomplete PFAS reme-  
15 diation projects.

16 (c) DEFINITION OF PERFLUOROALKYL AND  
17 POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.—For the purposes of  
18 this section, the terms “perfluoroalkyl substance” and  
19 “polyfluoroalkyl substance” have the meanings given such  
20 terms in section 333(b) of the National Defense Author-  
21 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283;  
22 134 Stat. 3531; 10 U.S.C. 3062 note).

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