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To save at least \$5,000,000,000 by consolidating some duplicative and overlapping Government programs.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES
(FOR HIMSELF, AND MR. WARNER)

Mr. COBURN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To save at least \$5,000,000,000 by consolidating some duplicative and overlapping Government programs.

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. CONSOLIDATING UNNECESSARY DUPLICATIVE**
4 **AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENT PRO-**
5 **GRAMS.**
6 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, not later
7 than 150 days after the date of enactment of this Act,
8 the Director of the Office of Management and Budget
9 shall coordinate with the heads of the relevant department
10 and agencies to—

1 (1) use available administrative authority to
2 eliminate, consolidate, or streamline Government
3 programs and agencies with duplicative and overlap-
4 ping missions identified in the March 2011 Govern-
5 ment Accountability Office report to Congress, enti-
6 tled “Opportunities to Reduce Potential Duplication
7 in Government Programs, Save Tax Dollars, and
8 Enhance Revenue” (GAO-11-318SP) and apply the
9 savings towards deficit reduction;

10 (2) identify and report to Congress any legisla-
11 tive changes required to further eliminate, consoli-
12 date, or streamline Government programs and agen-
13 cies with duplicative and overlapping missions identi-
14 fied in the March 2011 Government Accountability
15 Office report to Congress, entitled “Opportunities to
16 Reduce Potential Duplication in Government Pro-
17 grams, Save Tax Dollars, and Enhance Revenue”
18 (GAO-11-318SP);

19 (3) determine the total cost savings that shall
20 result to each agency, office, and department from
21 the actions described in paragraph (1); and

22 (4) rescind from the appropriate accounts the
23 amount greater of—

24 (A) \$5,000,000,000; or

1 (B) the total amount of cost savings esti-
2 mated by paragraph (3).