

A BILL

To amend title 10, United States Code, to reorganize the
Department of Defense.

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 “Bill Nichols Department*
5 *of Defense Reorganization Act of 1986”.*

6 **TITLE I—COMBATANT COMMANDS**

7 **SEC. 101. ENHANCEMENT OF AUTHORITY OF COMMANDERS**
8 **OF UNIFIED AND SPECIFIED COMBATANT**
9 **COMMANDS.**

10 *(a) REVISION AND EXTENSION OF COMBATANT COM-*
11 *MAND AUTHORITY.—(1) Title 10, United States Code, is*
12 *amended by inserting after chapter 5 the following new*
13 *chapter:*

14 **“CHAPTER 6—COMBATANT COMMANDS**

“161. Establishment.

“162. Forces assigned to combatant commands.

“163. Functions and supervision.

“164. Administration and support of assigned forces.

“165. Unified and specified commands: program and budget proposals; net assess-
ments.

“166. Combatant command subordinate commanders and CINC staff officers: selec-
tion and tenure.

“167. Joint Commanders Council.

15 **“§ 161. Establishment**

16 *“(a) UNIFIED AND SPECIFIED COMMANDS.—With*
17 *the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs*