

sional Budget Office, Congressional Research Service, and Government Accountability Office.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would limit the distribution of any documents relating to the future-years defense programs to Congress, the Comptroller General of the United States, the Congressional Research Service, and the Congressional Budget Office.

*Modifications to humanitarian demining assistance authorities (sec. 1043)*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1032) that would amend section 407, of title 10, United States Code, to remove “stockpiled conventional munitions” from the limitations of training opportunities with partner nations. This section would also amend the definitions of “humanitarian demining assistance” and “stockpiled conventional munitions assistance.”

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Prohibition on charge of certain tariffs on aircraft traveling through channel routes (sec. 1044)*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1033) that would prohibit U.S. Transportation Command from charging a tariff when a military service operates their aircraft on a route that is designated by U.S. Transportation Command as a channel route.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Prohibition on lobbying activities with respect to the Department of Defense by certain officers of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department within two years of separation from military service or employment with the Department (sec. 1045)*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1043) that would apply a 2-year limitation on certain officers and civilian employees of the Department of Defense from engaging in any lobbying activity with respect to issues involving the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would apply a 2-year limitation on officers at the O-9 or higher level and their civilian grade equivalents of the Department of Defense from engaging in any lobbying activity with respect to the Department of Defense, and a similar 1-year limitation on officers at the O-7 and O-8 level and their civilian counterparts.

*Prohibition on use of funds for retirement of legacy maritime mine countermeasures platforms (sec. 1046)*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1035) that would prohibit the Secretary of the Navy from obligating or expending funds to deactivate, decommission, or place in reduced operating status any mine countermeasures ships or *Sea Dragon* (MH-53) helicopters. The limitation in this section may be waived if the Secretary of the Navy certifies that the replacement mine counter-