Purpose: To save at least $5 billion by consolidating some duplicative and overlapping government programs.


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Mr. COBURN (for himself, and Mr. WARNER)

1 At the end of title V, add the following:

2 SEC. ___. CONSOLIDATING UNNECESSARY DUPLICATIVE AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, not later than 150 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the Office or Management and Budget shall coordinate with the heads of the relevant department and agencies to—

1 (1) use available administrative authority to eliminate, consolidate, or streamline Government programs and agencies with duplicative and overlapping missions identified in the March 2011 Government Accountability Office report to Congress entitled “Opportunities to Reduce Potential Duplication in Government Programs, Save Tax Dollars, and Enhance Revenue” (GAO–11–318SP) and apply the savings towards deficit reduction;
(2) identify and report to Congress any legislative changes required to further 
eliminate, consolidate, or streamline Government programs and agencies with duplicative 
and overlapping missions identified in the March 2011 Government Accountability 
Office report to Congress entitled “Opportunities to Reduce Potential Duplication in 
Government Programs, Save Tax Dollars, and Enhance Revenue” (GAO–11–318SP); 
(3) determine the total cost savings that shall result to each agency, office, and 
department from the actions described in subsection (1); and 
(4) rescind from the appropriate accounts the amount greater of—

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

(B) the total amount of cost savings estimated by paragraph (3).