AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115–23

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Page 409, after line 2, insert the following:

SEC. 1058. REPORT ON ALTERNATIVES TO AQUEOUS FILM FORMING FOAM.

(a) Report Required.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the Department’s status toward developing a new military specification for safe and effective alternatives to aqueous film forming foam (hereinafter referred to as “AFFF”) that do not contain perfluorooctanoic acid (hereinafter referred to as “PFOA”) or perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (hereinafter referred to as “PFOS”).

(b) Elements.—The report required by subparagraph (1) shall include the following:

(1) A detailed explanation of the Department’s status toward developing a new military specification
for safe and effective alternatives to AFFF that do not contain PFOA or PFOS.

(2) An update on the Department’s plans for replacing AFFF containing PFOA or PFOS at military installations across the country and methods of disposal for AFFF containing PFOA or PFOS.

(3) An overview of current and planned research and development for AFFF alternatives that do not contain PFOA or PFOS.

(4) An assessment of how the establishment of a maximum contaminant level for PFOA or PFOS under the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300f et seq), rather than the current health advisory level, would impact the Department’s mitigation actions, prioritization of such actions, and research and development related to PFOA and PFOS.