

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 114-**

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**OFFERED BY MR. DESANTIS OF FLORIDA**

Page 139, after line 22, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 547. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING DEPARTMENT**  
2 **OF DEFENSE POLICY AGAINST SEXUAL AS-**  
3 **SAULT ON ALL UNITED STATES MILITARY IN-**  
4 **STALLATIONS.**

5 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-  
6 ings:

7 (1) Members of the United States Army and  
8 Marine Corps serving in Afghanistan were advised to  
9 respect cultural and religious practices of Afghans  
10 and told that sexual abuse perpetrated by local allies  
11 was a matter of Afghan law.

12 (2) Fighting in a foreign theater of war should  
13 not require members of the Armed Forces to turn a  
14 blind eye toward criminal perversion.

15 (3) The Department of Defense already has an  
16 established policy against human trafficking.

17 (4) Department of Defense Instruction 2200.01  
18 instructs members of the Armed Forces as follows:  
19 “Oppose prostitution, forced labor, and any related

1 activities contributing to the phenomenon of traf-  
2 ficking in persons (TIP). TIP is a violation of U.S.  
3 law and internationally recognized human rights,  
4 and is incompatible with DoD core values.”.

5 (5) The Department of Defense also needs an  
6 established policy to counter sexual abuse per-  
7 petrated on a United States military installation,  
8 whether the installation is located in the United  
9 States or overseas.

10 (6) In 2011, Sergeant First Class Charles  
11 Martland confronted a corrupt Afghan commander  
12 and child rapist, for which the United States Army  
13 flagged him for involuntary separation by November  
14 1, 2015 through its Qualitative Management Pro-  
15 gram.

16 (7) The decision of the United States Army was  
17 delayed until May 1, 2016, to allow Sergeant First  
18 Class Charles Martland time to appeal his discharge.

19 (8) On April 29, 2016, the United States Army  
20 announced that Sergeant First Class Charles  
21 Martland could remain in the service since the Army  
22 Board for Correction of Military Records had de-  
23 cided to reverse the Qualitative Management Pro-  
24 gram’s initial decision.

1           (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
2 gress that human rights violations, including child abuse,  
3 should not be conducted or condoned on any United States  
4 military installation, whether located in the United States  
5 or overseas, by either citizens or nationals of the United  
6 States or foreign nationals.

