

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 3080
OFFERED BY MR. FLORES OF TEXAS**

At the end of title I, add the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . NATIONAL OCEAN POLICY IMPLEMENTATION.**

2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

3 (1) the July 19, 2010, Executive Order 13547
4 that established the “National Policy for the Stew-
5 ardsip of the Ocean, Our Coasts, and the Great
6 Lakes” (in this section referred to as the “National
7 Ocean Policy”) among other things requires Federal
8 implementation of “ecosystem-based management”
9 to achieve a “fundamental shift” in how the United
10 States manages ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes re-
11 sources, and the establishment of 9 new govern-
12 mental “Regional Planning Bodies” and “Coastal
13 and Marine Spatial Plans” in every region of the
14 United States;

15 (2) Executive Order 13547 created a 54-mem-
16 ber National Ocean Council led by the White House
17 Council on Environmental Quality and Office of
18 Science and Technology Policy that includes prin-

1 ciproal and deputy-level representatives from Federal
2 entities, including the Department of Defense;

3 (3) Executive Order 13547 requires National
4 Ocean Council members, including the Department
5 of Defense, to take action to implement the National
6 Ocean Policy and participate in Coastal and Marine
7 Spatial Planning to the fullest extent;

8 (4) the Final Recommendations that were
9 adopted by Executive Order 13547 state that “effective”
10 implementation of the National Ocean Policy
11 will “require clear and easily understood require-
12 ments and regulations, where appropriate, that in-
13 clude enforcement as a critical component”;

14 (5) despite repeated congressional requests, the
15 National Ocean Council, which is charged with over-
16 seeing National Ocean Policy implementation, has
17 still not provided a complete accounting of Federal
18 activities taken and resources expended and allo-
19 cated in furtherance of National Ocean Policy imple-
20 mentation;

21 (6) the Corps of Engineers is participating on
22 at least one “Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning
23 Regional Team”; and

1 (6) the Nation’s continued economic and budg-
2 etary challenges underscore the necessity for sound,
3 transparent, and practical Federal policies.

4 (b) PROHIBITION.—None of the programs or actions
5 authorized under this Act may be used to further imple-
6 mentation of the coastal and marine spatial planning and
7 ecosystem-based management components of the National
8 Ocean Policy developed under Executive Order 13547.

9 (c) STUDY.—Not later than 90 days after the date
10 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to
11 the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of
12 the House of Representatives and the Committee on Com-
13 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report
14 detailing all activities engaged in and resources expended
15 in furtherance of Executive Order 13547 since it was
16 issued on July 19, 2010, as well as any fiscal year 2014
17 budget requests in support of National Ocean Policy im-
18 plementation.

