

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
OF H.R. 4310
OFFERED BY MR. ISRAEL OF NEW YORK
(For Himself and Mr. King of New York)**

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 725. PILOT PROGRAM ON ENHANCEMENTS OF DE-**
2 **PARTMENT OF DEFENSE EFFORTS ON MEN-**
3 **TAL HEALTH IN THE NATIONAL GUARD AND**
4 **RESERVES THROUGH COMMUNITY PARTNER-**
5 **SHIPS.**

6 (a) PROGRAM AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of De-
7 fense may carry out a pilot program to enhance the efforts
8 of the Department of Defense in research, treatment, edu-
9 cation, and outreach on mental health and substance use
10 disorders and traumatic brain injury in members of the
11 National Guard and Reserves, their family members, and
12 their caregivers through community partners.

13 (b) COMMUNITY PARTNERS.—The Secretary of De-
14 fense may award grants to community partners described
15 in subsection (c) using a competitive and merit-based
16 award process whereby the awardee agrees to make con-
17 tributions toward the costs of activities carried out with

1 the grant, from non-Federal sources, an amount equal to
2 not less than \$3 for each \$1 of funds provided under the
3 grant.

4 (c) COMMUNITY PARTNER DESCRIBED.—A commu-
5 nity partner described in this subsection is a private non-
6 profit organization or institution that engages in one or
7 more of the following:

8 (1) Research on the causes, development, and
9 innovative treatment of mental health and substance
10 use disorders and traumatic brain injury in members
11 of the National Guard and Reserves, their family
12 members, and their caregivers.

13 (2) Providing treatment to such members and
14 their families for such mental health and substance
15 use disorders and traumatic brain injury.

16 (3) Identifying and disseminating evidence-
17 based treatments of mental health and substance use
18 disorders and traumatic brain injury described in
19 paragraph (1).

20 (4) Outreach and education to such members,
21 their families and caregivers, and the public about
22 mental health and substance use disorders and trau-
23 matic brain injury described in paragraph (1).

24 (d) DURATION.—The duration of the pilot program
25 may not exceed three years.

1 (e) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days before the
2 completion of the pilot program, the Secretary of Defense
3 shall submit to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Con-
4 gress a report on the results of the pilot program, includ-
5 ing the amount of grants so awarded and activities carried
6 out, the number of members of the National Guard and
7 Reserves provided treatment or services by community
8 partners, and a description and assessment of the effec-
9 tiveness and achievements of the pilot program with re-
10 spect to research, treatment, education, and outreach on
11 mental health and substance use disorders and traumatic
12 brain injury.

13 (f) AVAILABLE FUNDS.—Funds for the pilot program
14 shall be derived from amounts authorized to be appro-
15 priated for the Department of Defense for Defense Health
16 Program and otherwise available for obligation and ex-
17 penditure.

