

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 4909
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Page 173, after line 2, add the following new section:

1 SEC. 599A. ATOMIC VETERANS SERVICE MEDAL.

2 (a) SERVICE MEDAL REQUIRED.—The Secretary of
3 Defense shall design and produce a military service medal,
4 to be known as the “Atomic Veterans Service Medal”, to
5 honor retired and former members of the Armed Forces
6 who are radiation-exposed veterans (as such term is de-
7 fined in section 1112(c)(3) of title 38, United States
8 Code).

9 (b) DISTRIBUTION OF MEDAL.—

10 (1) ISSUANCE TO RETIRED AND FORMER MEM-
11 BERS.—At the request of a radiation-exposed vet-
12 eran, the Secretary of Defense shall issue the Atom-
13 ic Veterans Service Medal to the veteran.

14 (2) ISSUANCE TO NEXT-OF-KIN.—In the case of
15 a radiation-exposed veteran who is deceased, the
16 Secretary may provide for issuance of the Atomic

1 Veterans Service Medal to the next-of-kin of the per-
2 son.

3 (3) APPLICATION.—The Secretary shall prepare
4 and disseminate as appropriate an application by
5 which radiation-exposed veterans and their next-of-
6 kin may apply to receive the Atomic Veterans Serv-
7 ice Medal.

