

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 8
OFFERED BY MR. DUFFY OF WISCONSIN AND MR.
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At the end of title III, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3007. STUDY ON ACCESS IN PUERTO RICO TO ENERGY**
2 **SUPPLIES PRODUCED IN THE U.S. MAINLAND.**

3 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
4 of this Act, the Secretary of Energy, in consultation with
5 the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of
6 Transportation, and, with respect only to paragraph (2),
7 the Secretary of State, shall submit to Congress a report
8 that examines whether, and to what extent, provisions of
9 law originally enacted by the Merchant Marine Act, 1920,
10 including the requirements set forth in section 12112 of
11 title 46, United States Code, with respect to coastwise en-
12 dorsements for vessels built in the United States—

13 (1) are or could be an impediment, including
14 with respect to logistics and cost, to access in Puerto
15 Rico of liquified natural gas, liquified petroleum gas,
16 and other energy supplies produced in the mainland
17 of the United States; and

1 (2) are or could be an impediment, including
2 with respect to logistics and cost, to the establish-
3 ment of Puerto Rico as a transshipment and storage
4 hub for the distribution of natural gas, petroleum
5 gas, and other energy supplies produced in the
6 United States to United States trading partners in
7 the Western Hemisphere, with particular emphasis
8 on trading partners in the Caribbean.

