

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-**

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**OFFERED BY MR. SCHNEIDER OF ILLINOIS**

At the end of subtitle B of title VII in division A,  
add the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . TRAINING REQUIREMENT FOR HEALTH CARE**  
2 **PROFESSIONALS PRESCRIBING OPIOIDS FOR**  
3 **TREATMENT OF PAIN IN THE ARMED FORCES**  
4 **OR IN THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-**  
5 **FAIRS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—(1) The Secretary of Defense and  
7 the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that to  
8 serve as a health care professional in the Department of  
9 Defense or the Department of Veterans Affairs as an indi-  
10 vidual who is authorized to prescribe or otherwise dispense  
11 opioids for the treatment of pain, the professional (other  
12 than a pharmacist) must comply with the 12-hour training  
13 requirement of paragraph (2) at least once during each  
14 3-year period or be licensed in a State that requires equiv-  
15 alent (or greater) training described in paragraph (2) with  
16 respect to the prescribing or dispensing of opioids for the  
17 treatment of pain.

1           (2) The training requirement of this paragraph is  
2 that the professional has completed not less than 12 hours  
3 of training (through classroom situations, seminars at pro-  
4 fessional society meetings, electronic communications, or  
5 otherwise) with respect to—

6           (A) pain management treatment guidelines and  
7 best practices;

8           (B) early detection of opioid addiction; and

9           (C) the treatment and management of opioid-  
10 dependent patients,

11 that is provided by the American Society of Addiction  
12 Medicine, the American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry,  
13 the American Medical Association, the American Osteo-  
14 pathic Association, the American Psychiatric Association,  
15 the American Academy of Pain Management, the Amer-  
16 ican Pain Society, the American Academy of Pain Medi-  
17 cine, the American Board of Pain Medicine, the American  
18 Society of Interventional Pain Physicians, or any other or-  
19 ganization that the Secretary of Defense determines is ap-  
20 propriate for purposes of this subsection.

21           (b) ESTABLISHMENT OF TRAINING MODULES.—(1)  
22 The Secretary of Defense, in collaboration with the Sec-  
23 retary of Veterans Affairs, shall establish or support the  
24 establishment of one or more training modules to be used  
25 to meet the training requirement under subsection (a).

1           (2) To be eligible to receive support under paragraph  
2 (1), an entity shall be—

3                   (A) one of the organizations listed in paragraph  
4 (2) of subsection (a); or

5                   (B) any other organization that the Secretary  
6 determines is appropriate to provide training under  
7 such subsection.

