

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 4435
OFFERED BY MR. KILDEE OF MICHIGAN**

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

1 **SEC. 729. EVALUATION OF WOUNDED WARRIOR CARE AND**
2 **TRANSITION PROGRAM.**

3 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
4 gress that gaining new ideas and an objective perspective
5 are critical to addressing issues regarding the treatment
6 of wounded warriors.

7 (b) EVALUATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall
8 seek to enter into a contract with a private organization
9 to evaluate the wounded warrior care and transition pro-
10 gram of the Department of Defense. Such evaluation shall
11 identify deficiencies in the treatment of wounded warriors
12 and offer recommendations to the Secretary of Defense
13 and Congress to improve such treatment. The Secretary
14 may not award a contract to a private organization to
15 carry out such evaluation unless the private organization
16 received less than 20 percent of the annual revenue of the
17 organization during the previous five years from contracts

1 with the Department of Defense or the Department of
2 Veterans Affairs.

3 (c) FUNDING.—

4 (1) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts
5 set forth in the funding tables in division D, the
6 amount authorized to be appropriated in section
7 1405 for the Defense Health Program, as specified
8 in the corresponding funding table in section 4501,
9 is hereby increased by \$20,000,000.

10 (2) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set
11 forth in the funding tables in division D—

12 (A) the amounts authorized to be appro-
13 priated in section 101 for shipbuilding and con-
14 version, Navy, as specified in the corresponding
15 funding table in section 4101, is hereby reduced
16 by \$10,000,000; and

17 (B) the amounts authorized to be appro-
18 priated in division C for weapons activities, as
19 specified in the corresponding funding table in
20 section 4701, for the B61 life extension pro-
21 gram and the W76 life extension program are
22 each hereby reduced by \$5,000,000.

