

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-**

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**OFFERED BY MR. BLUMENAUER OF OREGON**

In section 3114—

(1) strike subsection (a) (and redesignate subsection (b) as subsection (a));

(2) in subsection (a), as so redesignated, strike “The Secretary” and insert “Except as provided by subsection (b), the Secretary”; and

(3) add at the end the following new subsection:

1 (b) LIMITATION.—Of the funds authorized to be ap-  
2 propriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fis-  
3 cal year 2019 for the W76-2 warhead modification pro-  
4 gram, not more than 50 percent may be obligated or ex-  
5 pended until the date on which the Secretary of Defense  
6 submits to the congressional defense committees a re-  
7 port—

8 (1) assessing the potential effects of the modi-  
9 fication or development of a low-yield nuclear war-  
10 head for submarine-launched ballistic missiles on  
11 strategic stability; and

12 (2) assessing options to—

1           (A) reduce the risk of miscalculation asso-  
2           ciated with adversaries being unable to distin-  
3           guish between a submarine-launched ballistic  
4           missile carrying a low-yield warhead and such a  
5           missile carrying several high-yield warheads;  
6           and

7           (B) preserve the survivability and the sec-  
8           ond-strike capability of ballistic missile sub-  
9           marines without increasing risk.

