

**AMENDMENT TO**  
**RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-36**  
**OFFERED BY MR. JACKSON OF TEXAS**

Page 288, insert after line 10 the following:

1 **SEC. 597. APPOINTMENT AND SERVICE OF ATTENDING PHY-**  
2 **SICIAN TO CONGRESS.**

3 (a) APPOINTMENT.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Attending Physician to  
5 the Congress shall be appointed jointly by the  
6 Speaker of the House of Representatives and the  
7 President pro tempore of the Senate, after consid-  
8 ering recommendations from the Committees on  
9 Armed Services of the House of Representatives and  
10 Senate, the Committee on House Administration of  
11 the House of Representatives, and the Committee on  
12 Rules and Administration of the Senate.

13 (2) CRITERIA FOR APPOINTMENT.—The At-  
14 tending Physician to the Congress shall be appointed  
15 without regard to political affiliation and solely on  
16 the basis of fitness to perform the duties of the posi-  
17 tion.

18 (b) TERM OF SERVICE.—

1           (1) LIMITATION ON DURATION AND REAPPOINT-  
2           MENT.—

3                   (A) SINGLE 4-YEAR TERM.—Except as pro-  
4                   vided in paragraph (3), each appointment to the  
5                   position of Attending Physician to the Congress  
6                   shall be for a single term of 4 years which ex-  
7                   pires on April 1 of the year following the year  
8                   in which an election is held for the office of  
9                   President, and no individual appointed to such  
10                  position may be reappointed to any additional  
11                  terms after the expiration of such 4-year term.

12                  (B) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN INDIVID-  
13                  UALS APPOINTED TO FILL VACANCIES.—If an  
14                  individual is appointed to the position of At-  
15                  tending Physician to the Congress to fill a va-  
16                  cancy that occurred before the expiration of the  
17                  term of the predecessor Attending Physician to  
18                  the Congress and such individual serves a term  
19                  of 2 years or less, the individual may subse-  
20                  quently be reappointed to serve for a single ad-  
21                  ditional term of 4 years.

22                  (C) APPLICATION TO PREVIOUS ATTEND-  
23                  ING PHYSICIANS.—An individual appointed to  
24                  the position of Attending Physician to the Con-  
25                  gress prior to the date of the enactment of this

1 Act is not eligible to be appointed to the posi-  
2 tion after the date of the enactment of this Act.

3 (2) VACANCIES.—Except as provided in para-  
4 graph (1)(B), any individual appointed to fill a va-  
5 cancy in the position of Attending Physician to the  
6 Congress that occurs before the expiration of the  
7 term for which the predecessor Attending Physician  
8 to the Congress was appointed shall be appointed  
9 only for the remainder of such term. Any such va-  
10 cancy shall be filled in the manner in which the  
11 original appointment was made.

12 (3) TREATMENT OF CURRENT ATTENDING PHY-  
13 SICIAN.—The individual serving as the Attending  
14 Physician to the Congress on the date of the enact-  
15 ment of this Act may not serve in such position after  
16 March 31, 2025.

