

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 117-54
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Add at the end of subtitle C of title XII the following:

1 **SEC. 12 ____ . REPORT ON ASSISTING IRANIAN DISSIDENTS**
2 **AND PEOPLE ACCESS TELECOMMUNI-**
3 **CATIONS TOOLS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State,
6 in coordination with the Secretary of the Treasury and
7 the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall submit
8 to Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on
9 Financial Services of the House of Representatives and
10 the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee
11 on Banking of the Senate a report that includes the mat-
12 ters described in subsection (b).

13 (b) MATTERS DESCRIBED.—The matters described
14 in this subsection are the following:

15 (1) An assessment of the Iranian Government's
16 ability to impose internet shutdowns, censor the
17 internet, and track Iranian dissidents, labor orga-
18 nizers, political activists, or human rights defenders

1 inside Iran through targeted digital surveillance or
2 other digital means.

3 (2) A list of technologies, including hardware,
4 software, and services incident to personal commu-
5 nications, including set-top boxes (STB), satellites,
6 and web developer tools, that would encourage the
7 free flow of information to better enable the Iranian
8 people to communicate with each other and the out-
9 side world.

10 (3) An assessment on whether existing United
11 States policy impedes the ability of Iranians to cir-
12 cumvent the Iranian Government's attempt to
13 securitize access to the internet and block access to
14 the internet at times of civil unrest.

15 (4) A review of the legal exemptions that au-
16 thorize access to information technology and how
17 such exemptions or any accompanying general li-
18 censes may be altered to mitigate any hindrances
19 imposed on Iranian dissidents and activists inside
20 Iran.

21 (5) An assessment of whether further exemp-
22 tions or alterations to existing exemptions and gen-
23 eral licenses are necessary to support Iranian citi-
24 zens' access to the internet and to assist their ef-

1 forts to circumvent internet shutdowns and targeted
2 digital surveillance from the Iranian Government.

3 (c) FORM.—The report required pursuant to sub-
4 section (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may
5 include a classified annex if such annex is provided sepa-
6 rately from such unclassified version.

7 (d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “targeted
8 digital surveillance” means the use of items or services
9 that enable an individual or entity (with or without the
10 knowing authorization of the product’s owner) to detect,
11 monitor, intercept, collect, exploit, preserve, protect, trans-
12 mit, retain, or otherwise gain access to the communica-
13 tions, sensitive or protected information, work product,
14 browsing data, research, identifying information, location
15 history, and online and offline activities of other individ-
16 uals, organizations, or entities.

