

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

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OFFERED BY MR. ALFORD OF MISSOURI

At the end of subtitle C of title XVII, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 17___ . SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION SBIR AND**
2 **STTR PROGRAM RURAL SMALL BUSINESS**
3 **OUTREACH.**

4 Section 9 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638)
5 is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (j), by adding at the end the
7 following new paragraph:

8 “(4) MODIFICATION RELATING TO RURAL OUT-
9 REACH.—Not later than 90 days after the date of
10 the enactment of this paragraph, the Administrator
11 shall modify the policy directives issued pursuant to
12 this subsection to require the Administration to
13 place a special emphasis on small business concerns
14 in rural areas when conducting outreach related to
15 the SBIR program, including by ensuring that the
16 Administrations includes outreach efforts in rural
17 communities in any traveling outreach event carried

1 out by the Administration with respect to the SBIR
2 program.”; and

3 (2) in subsection (p), by adding at the end the
4 following new paragraph:

5 “(4) MODIFICATION RELATING TO RURAL OUT-
6 REACH.—Not later than 90 days after the date of
7 the enactment of this paragraph, the Administrator
8 shall modify the policy directives issued pursuant to
9 this subsection to require the Administration to
10 place a special emphasis on small business concerns
11 in rural areas when conducting outreach related to
12 the STTR program, including by ensuring that the
13 Administrations includes outreach efforts in rural
14 communities in any traveling outreach event carried
15 out by the Administration with respect to the STTR
16 program.”.

