AMENDMENT
TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115–72
OFFERED BY MR. ALLEN OF GEORGIA

Add at the end of title I the following:

1 SEC. ____. NEW SAVANNAH BLUFF LOCK AND DAM, GEOR-
2 GIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA.
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4 Section 1319 of the Water Resources Development
5 Act of 2016 (130 Stat. 1703) is amended—
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7 (1) in subsection (b), by amending paragraph
8 (1) to read as follows:
9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Effective beginning on the date of enactment of the Water Resources Develop-
10 ment Act of 2016 (130 Stat. 1632), the New Savannah Bluff Lock and Dam is deauthorized.”;
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12 (2) by amending subsection (c) to read as fol-
13 lows:
14 “(c) FISH PASSAGE.—Fish passage at the New Sa-
15 vannah Bluff Lock and Dam as set forth in the Report of the Chief of Engineers of August 12, 2012, with such modifications as in the discretion of the Chief of Engineers may be advisable, remains authorized as a mitigation fea-
16 ture of the Project.”; and
(3) by inserting after subsection (c) the follow-

ing:

“(d) REPAIR AND CONVEYANCE.—Separately from such repairs and rehabilitation of the New Savannah Lock and Dam undertaken as a component of the fish passage mitigation feature of the Project described in subsection (c), which will remain part of the Project, the Secretary shall—

“(1) after execution of an agreement between the Secretary and the city of North Augusta or Aiken County, South Carolina, or the City of Augusta, Georgia, or any combination thereof, repair and rehabilitate the deauthorized New Savannah Bluff Lock and Dam at full Federal expense and, after repair and rehabilitation, convey the New Savannah Bluff Lock and Dam, without consideration, to the city of North Augusta or Aiken County, South Carolina, or the City of Augusta, Georgia, or any combination thereof; or

“(2) if agreement cannot be reached with the city of North Augusta or Aiken County, South Carolina, or the City of Augusta, Georgia, or any combination thereof, dispose of the New Savannah Bluff Lock and Dam under subchapter III of chapter 5 of title 40, United States Code.
“(e) OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.—

“(1) BEFORE CONVEYANCE.—Before the conveyance under subsection (d)(1), the Secretary shall continue to maintain the deauthorized New Savannah Bluff Lock and Dam structure.

“(2) AFTER CONVEYANCE.—After the conveyance under subsection (d)(1), operation and maintenance of all features of the New Savannah Bluff Lock and Dam shall be a non-Federal responsibility. The New Savannah Bluff Lock and Dam shall not be operated or maintained in a manner that interferes with or is otherwise inconsistent with the operation of a fish passage mitigation feature of the Project.

“(f) CONTRIBUTED FUNDS.—The Secretary may accept and expend funds received from non-Federal public or private entities for planning, design, construction, or other expenses related to the performance of subsections (d) and (e)(1).”.