

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-**

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**OFFERED BY MS. CHENEY OF WYOMING**

At the end of subtitle E of title XVI, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 1673. PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION OF THE INTER-**  
2 **CONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILES OF THE**  
3 **UNITED STATES.**

4 (a) PROHIBITION.—Except as provided by subsection  
5 (b), none of the funds authorized to be appropriated by  
6 this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2018  
7 for the Department of Defense shall be obligated or ex-  
8 pended for—

9 (1) reducing, or preparing to reduce, the re-  
10 sponsiveness or alert level of the intercontinental  
11 ballistic missiles of the United States; or

12 (2) reducing, or preparing to reduce, the quan-  
13 tity of deployed intercontinental ballistic missiles of  
14 the United States to a number less than 400.

15 (b) EXCEPTION.—The prohibition in subsection (a)  
16 shall not apply to any of the following activities:

17 (1) The maintenance or sustainment of inter-  
18 continental ballistic missiles.

1           (2) Ensuring the safety, security, or reliability  
2 of intercontinental ballistic missiles.

3           (3) Reduction in the number of deployed inter-  
4 continental ballistic missiles that are carried out in  
5 compliance with—

6                 (A) the limitations of the New START  
7 Treaty (as defined in section 494(a)(2)(D) of  
8 title 10, United States Code); and

9                 (B) section 1644 of the Carl Levin an  
10 Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense  
11 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public  
12 Law 113–291; 128 Stat. 3651; 10 U.S.C. 494  
13 note).

