

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-

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Insert at the appropriate place in division E the following:

1 **SECTION ____ . TECHNOLOGY COMPETITIVENESS COUNCIL.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The National Science and Tech-
3 nology Policy, Organization, and Priorities Act of 1976
4 (42 U.S.C. 6601 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
5 the following:

6 **“TITLE VII—TECHNOLOGY**
7 **COMPETITIVENESS COUNCIL**

8 **“SEC. 701. ESTABLISHMENT OF COUNCIL.**

9 “The President shall establish within the Executive
10 Office of the President a Technology Competitiveness
11 Council (in this title referred to as the ‘Council’).

12 **“SEC. 702. MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL.**

13 “The Council shall be composed of the following
14 members:

15 “(1) The Vice President, who shall be Chair of
16 the Council.

17 “(2) The following executive branch officials:

18 “(A) The Secretary of State.

1 “(B) The Secretary of the Treasury.

2 “(C) The Secretary of Defense.

3 “(D) The Attorney General.

4 “(E) The Secretary of Commerce.

5 “(F) The Secretary of Energy.

6 “(G) The Secretary of Homeland Security.

7 “(H) The Director of the Office of Man-
8 agement and Budget.

9 “(I) The Assistant to the President for
10 Technology Competitiveness.

11 “(J) The Assistant to the President for
12 National Security Affairs.

13 “(K) The Assistant to the President for
14 Science and Technology.

15 “(L) The Assistant to the President for
16 Economic Policy.

17 “(M) The Assistant to the President for
18 Domestic Policy.

19 “(N) The United States Trade Representa-
20 tive.

21 “(O) The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of
22 Staff.

23 “(P) The heads of such other executive de-
24 partments and agencies and other senior offi-
25 cials within the Executive Office of the Presi-

1 dent, as may be determined by the Chair of the
2 Council.

3 **“SEC. 703. OPERATION OF COUNCIL.**

4 “(a) RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHAIR.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Chair shall convene
6 and preside over meetings of the Council and shall
7 determine the agenda for the Council.

8 “(2) COMMITTEES.—The Chair may authorize
9 the establishment of such committees of the Council,
10 including an executive committee, and of such work-
11 ing groups, composed of senior designees of the
12 Council members and of other officials, as he or she
13 deems necessary or appropriate for the efficient con-
14 duct of Council functions.

15 “(3) REPORTING.—The Chair shall report to
16 the President on the activities and recommendations
17 of the Council. The Chair shall advise the Council as
18 appropriate regarding the President’s directions with
19 respect to the Council’s activities and national tech-
20 nology policy generally.

21 “(b) ADMINISTRATION.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Council shall have a
23 staff, headed by the Assistant to the President for
24 Technology Competitiveness.

1 “(2) PERSONNEL, FUNDING, AND ADMINISTRA-
2 TIVE SUPPORT.—The Office of Administration in the
3 Executive Office of the President shall provide the
4 Council with such personnel, funding, and adminis-
5 trative support, as directed by the Chair or, upon
6 the Chair’s direction, the Assistant to the President
7 for Technology Competitiveness, subject to the avail-
8 ability of appropriations.

9 “(3) RESOURCES.—Subject to the availability of
10 appropriations, heads of agencies serving on the
11 Council shall make resources, including but not lim-
12 ited to personnel and office support, available to the
13 Council as reasonably requested by the Chair or,
14 upon the Chair’s direction, the Assistant to the
15 President for Technology Competitiveness.

16 “(4) INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE.—The
17 heads of agencies shall provide to the Council such
18 information and assistance as the Chair may request
19 to carry out the functions described in section 704.

20 “(5) COORDINATION.—The Council shall co-
21 ordinate with the National Security Council on
22 Technology Policy and Strategy matters relating pri-
23 marily to national security to ensure that the activi-
24 ties of the Council are carried out in a manner that

1 is consistent with the responsibilities and authorities
2 of the National Security Council.

3 **“SEC. 704. FUNCTIONS OF COUNCIL.**

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Council shall be responsible
5 for—

6 “(1) developing recommendations for the Presi-
7 dent on United States technology competitiveness
8 and technology-related issues, advising and assisting
9 the President in the development and implementa-
10 tion of national technology policy and strategy, and
11 performing such other duties as the President may
12 prescribe;

13 “(2) developing and overseeing the implementa-
14 tion of a National Technology Strategy as described
15 in subsection (b);

16 “(3) serving as a forum for balancing national
17 security, economic, and technology considerations of
18 United States departments and agencies as they per-
19 tain to technology research, development, commer-
20 cial interests, and national security applications;

21 “(4) coordinating policies across Federal de-
22 partments and agencies related to United States
23 competitiveness in critical and emerging technologies
24 and ensuring that policies designed to promote
25 United States leadership and protect existing com-

1 petitive advantages are integrated and mutually re-
2 inforcing; and

3 “(5) synchronizing budgets and strategies, in
4 consultation with the Director of the Office of Man-
5 agement and Budget, in accordance with the Na-
6 tional Technology Strategy.

7 “(b) NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY STRATEGY.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Council shall be re-
9 sponsible for developing and annually submitting to
10 the President a National Technology Strategy de-
11 signed to maintain United States leadership in crit-
12 ical and emerging technologies essential to United
13 States national security and economic prosperity.

14 “(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The National Tech-
15 nology Strategy required by paragraph (1) shall con-
16 tain at least the following elements:

17 “(A) An assessment of the United States
18 Government’s efforts to preserve United States
19 leadership in key emerging technologies and
20 prevent United States strategic competitors
21 from leveraging advanced technologies to gain
22 strategic military or economic advantages over
23 the United States.

1 “(B) A review of existing United States
2 Government technology policy, including long-
3 range goals.

4 “(C) An analysis of technology trends and
5 assessment of the relative competitiveness of
6 United States technology sectors in relation to
7 strategic competitors.

8 “(D) Identification of sectors critical for
9 the long-term resilience of United States inno-
10 vation leadership across design, manufacturing,
11 supply chains, and markets.

12 “(E) Recommendations for domestic policy
13 incentives to sustain an innovation economy and
14 develop specific, high-cost sectors necessary for
15 long-term national security ends.

16 “(F) Recommendations for policies to pro-
17 tect United States and allied leadership in crit-
18 ical areas through targeted export controls, in-
19 vestment screening, and counterintelligence ac-
20 tivities.

21 “(G) Identification of priority domestic re-
22 search and development areas critical to na-
23 tional security and necessary to sustain United
24 States leadership, and directing funding to fill

1 gaps in basic and applied research where the
2 private sector does not focus.

3 “(H) Recommendations for talent pro-
4 grams to grow United States talent in key crit-
5 ical and emerging technologies and enhance the
6 ability of the Federal Government to recruit
7 and retain individuals with critical skills into
8 Federal service.

9 “(I) Methods to foster the development of
10 international partnerships to reinforce domestic
11 policy actions, build new markets, engage in
12 collaborative research, and create an inter-
13 national environment that reflects United
14 States values and protects United States inter-
15 ests.”.

16 (b) INITIAL NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY STRATEGY.—
17 The National Technology Council established pursuant to
18 section 701 of the National Science and Technology Pol-
19 icy, Organization, and Priorities Act of 1976, as added
20 by this Act, shall provide the first National Technology
21 Strategy required by section 704(b) of such Act, not later
22 than the date that is 1 year after the date of the enact-
23 ment of this Act.

