

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 119-33**

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Add at the end of subtitle B of title XVII the following:

1 **SEC. 17 \_\_\_\_ . ESTABLISHMENT OF FOUNDATIONAL INFRA-**  
2 **STRUCTURE FOR RESPONSIBLE USE OF**  
3 **SMALL MODULAR REACTOR TECHNOLOGY**  
4 **PROGRAM.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is established within the  
6 Department of State a Foundational Infrastructure for  
7 Responsible Use of Small Modular Reactor Technology  
8 program (hereafter in this section referred to as the  
9 “FIRST program”).

10 (b) PROGRAM FUNCTIONS.—The Under Secretary for  
11 Arms Control and International Security, or the designee  
12 of the Under Secretary, shall manage the FIRST pro-  
13 gram, which shall—

14 (1) promote responsible deployment of civil nu-  
15 clear energy internationally that benefits United  
16 States economic and national security interests;

17 (2) advocate, through relevant bilateral and  
18 multilateral diplomatic engagements and forums, for  
19 civil nuclear energy projects, technology, and prod-

1       ucts sourced or exported from United States busi-  
2       nesses;

3           (3) engage in diplomacy with partner govern-  
4       ments on prioritizing the highest safety, security,  
5       and nonproliferation standards as requirements for  
6       civil nuclear reactor deployment decisions, including  
7       with regard to small modular reactor infrastructure,  
8       technology, and products;

9           (4) provide consultation to partner countries re-  
10      garding best practices in the field of licensing, legal,  
11      and regulatory frameworks for the importation or  
12      adoption of United States nuclear reactor infrastruc-  
13      ture, technology, or products;

14          (5) provide early-stage commercial project de-  
15      velopment support, including feasibility and engi-  
16      neering studies, that are critical to launching United  
17      States commercial civil nuclear projects abroad and  
18      ensure fair market access for United States busi-  
19      nesses relative to state-backed competitors; and

20          (6) cooperate with partner countries in the  
21      areas of training programs, technical resource shar-  
22      ing, and potential coordination of codes and stand-  
23      ards to support the facilitation of small modular re-  
24      actor fleet deployment.

25      (c) REPORT.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days  
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
3 Under Secretary for Arms Control and International  
4 Security, or the designee of such Under Secretary,  
5 shall provide to the appropriate congressional com-  
6 mittees a report that includes—

7           (A) details on the implementation of the  
8 FIRST program;

9           (B) a description of FIRST program diplo-  
10 matic outreach and activities, including bilateral  
11 and multilateral engagements that promote ac-  
12 tivities described in subsection (b);

13           (C) the list of current contributing part-  
14 ners of the FIRST program;

15           (D) details relating to potential or ongoing  
16 cooperation with contributing partners of the  
17 FIRST program related to program activities  
18 described in subsection (b);

19           (E) a description of engagements and ac-  
20 tivities conducted by the Department of State  
21 to promote and expand the FIRST program to  
22 additional potential contributing partners;

23           (F) a description of FIRST program-re-  
24 lated engagements with United States busi-  
25 nesses in the civil nuclear sector; and

1           (G) a description of funds expended on  
2           FIRST program-related activities, including  
3           programming that uses funds from Non-  
4           proliferation, Anti-Terrorism, Demining, and  
5           Related Programs and related funding sources  
6           within the Department.

7           (2) FORM.—The report required by this sub-  
8           section shall be submitted in unclassified form but  
9           may include a classified annex submitted separately  
10          from the unclassified portion.

11          (d) BRIEFING.—Not later than 120 days after the  
12          date of the enactment of this Act, and on a triannual basis  
13          thereafter, the Under Secretary for Arms Control and  
14          International Security, or the designee of the Under Sec-  
15          retary, shall provide to the appropriate congressional com-  
16          mittees a briefing that includes the information required  
17          in subsection (c).

18          (e) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate on June  
19          8, 2034.

20          (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

21                 (1) The term “appropriate congressional com-  
22                 mittees” means—

23                         (A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of  
24                         the House of the Representatives; and

1 (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations of  
2 the Senate.

3 (2) The term “United States business” has the  
4 meaning given such term in section 2304 of the Ex-  
5 port Enhancement Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4724).

