

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT**

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At the end of subtitle B of title XVIII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 18\_\_ . FEASIBILITY OF ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT MANU-**  
2 **FACTURER DESIGNATION OF SOURCES OF**  
3 **SUPPLY FOR GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT**  
4 **PARTS.**

5 (a) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days  
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under  
7 Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment  
8 shall provide a briefing to the congressional defense com-  
9 mittees on the feasibility of implementing a process under  
10 which an original equipment manufacturer may designate  
11 one or more of its current suppliers as a source of supply  
12 for parts produced by such supplier.

13 (b) ELEMENTS.—The briefing required under sub-  
14 section (a) shall include the following:

15 (1) An assessment of the feasibility of estab-  
16 lishing a process by which a supplier designated by  
17 an original equipment manufacturer as a source of  
18 supply for a part may be recognized within Depart-

1       ment of Defense supply systems as a vendor for  
2       such part not later than 30 days after such designa-  
3       tion.

4           (2) An assessment of the potential benefits of  
5       such a process with respect to—

6           (A) improving direct oversight and super-  
7       vision of suppliers by original equipment manu-  
8       facturers;

9           (B) increasing efficiency within the defense  
10      acquisition and sustainment process;

11          (C) expanding the availability of qualified  
12      sources of supply for parts and materials;

13          (D) reducing administrative burdens asso-  
14      ciated with supplier qualification and procure-  
15      ment activities; and

16          (E) improving readiness outcomes through  
17      more timely access to critical parts and mate-  
18      rials.

19          (3) An assessment of the feasibility and benefits  
20      of ensuring that all suppliers of ground support  
21      equipment parts and materials are subject to—

22           (A) the certificate revocation requirements  
23      under section 44726 of title 49, United States  
24      Code; and

1 (B) the penalties under section 38 of title  
2 18, United States Code, for purposes of pre-  
3 venting the acquisition of counterfeit ground  
4 support equipment parts and materials.

5 (4) Recommendations for any legislative, regu-  
6 latory, policy, contracting, or information technology  
7 systems changes necessary to implement the process  
8 described in paragraph (1).

9 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) The term “ground support equipment”  
11 means equipment, parts, and materials used to sup-  
12 port the operation, maintenance, servicing, or  
13 sustainment of military aircraft and related systems.

14 (2) The term “original equipment manufac-  
15 turer” means a manufacturer that designs, develops,  
16 produces, or maintains equipment or components ac-  
17 quired by the Department of Defense.

18 (3) The term “source of supply” means a sup-  
19 plier designated by an original equipment manufac-  
20 turer as authorized to manufacture, produce, or pro-  
21 vide a part for use in support of equipment produced  
22 or supported by such manufacturer.

