

**AMENDMENT TO**  
**RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-22**  
**OFFERED BY MR. BELL OF MISSOURI**

At the end of subtitle D of title XII, add the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . INTERAGENCY FOOD SECURITY MEASUREMENT**  
2 **PROGRAM.**

3 (a) INTERAGENCY FOOD SECURITY MEASUREMENT  
4 PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Agriculture, in coordination  
5 with the Director of the Census Bureau, shall establish  
6 and maintain an interagency food security measurement  
7 program to coordinate the annual collection, analysis, and  
8 reporting of data on food insecurity and hunger.

9 (b) REPORTING.—

10 (1) POPULATION SURVEY.—The Current Popu-  
11 lation Survey conducted by the Bureau of the Cen-  
12 sus shall include a food security supplement con-  
13 sistent with the questionnaire issued in 2023 that  
14 includes the questions described in paragraph (3) for  
15 the years 2026 through 2028 and continuing there-  
16 after with questions substantially similar to those  
17 described in paragraph (3) with any amendments to  
18 the questions predicated upon robust testing, and

1 thorough review, public input, and Office of Manage-  
2 ment and Budget clearance.

3 (2) AGRICULTURE ANNUAL REPORTS.—The  
4 Secretary of Agriculture shall, with respect to the  
5 annual report issued pursuant to subsection (a)—

6 (A) include the findings related to the  
7 questions described in paragraph (3);

8 (B) make the report publicly available on  
9 the website of the Department; and

10 (C) submit such report to Congress.

11 (3) QUESTIONS DESCRIBED.—The questions de-  
12 scribed in this paragraph are as follows:

13 (A) Was the answer often, sometimes, or  
14 never true for you in the last 12 months for  
15 each of the following:

16 (i) We worried whether our food  
17 would run out before we got money to buy  
18 more.

19 (ii) The food that we bought just  
20 didn't last and we didn't have money to  
21 get more.

22 (iii) We couldn't afford to eat bal-  
23 anced meals.

24 (B) In the last 12 months, did you or  
25 other adults in the household ever cut the size

1 of your meals or skip meals because there  
2 wasn't enough money for food?

3 (C) If the answer is yes with respect to  
4 subparagraph (B), how often did this happen—  
5 almost every month, some months but not every  
6 month, or in only 1 or 2 months?

7 (D) In the last 12 months, did you ever  
8 eat less than you felt you should because there  
9 wasn't enough money for food?

10 (E) In the last 12 months, were you ever  
11 hungry, but didn't eat, because there wasn't  
12 enough money for food?

13 (F) In the last 12 months, did you lose  
14 weight because there wasn't enough money for  
15 food?

16 (G) In the last 12 months, did you or  
17 other adults in your household ever not eat for  
18 a whole day because there wasn't enough money  
19 for food?

20 (H) If the answer is yes to subparagraph  
21 (G), how often did this happen—almost every  
22 month, some months but not every month, or in  
23 only 1 or 2 months?

1 (I) In the case of a household that includes  
2 children ages 0 to 17, the following additional  
3 questions:

4 (i) Was the answer often, sometimes,  
5 or never true for you in the last 12 months  
6 for each of the following:

7 (I) We relied on only a few kinds  
8 of low-cost food to feed our children  
9 because we were running out of  
10 money to buy food.

11 (II) We couldn't feed our chil-  
12 dren a balanced meal, because we  
13 couldn't afford that.

14 (III) The children were not eat-  
15 ing enough because there wasn't  
16 enough money for food.

17 (ii) In the last 12 months, did you  
18 ever cut the size of any of the children's  
19 meals because there wasn't enough money  
20 for food?

21 (iii) In the last 12 months, were the  
22 children ever hungry because there wasn't  
23 enough money for food?

1 (iv) In the last 12 months, did any of  
2 the children ever skip a meal because there  
3 wasn't enough money for food?

4 (v) If the answer is yes to clause (iv),  
5 how often did this happen—almost every  
6 month, some months but not every month,  
7 or in only 1 or 2 months?

8 (vi) In the last 12 months, did any of  
9 the children ever not eat for a whole day  
10 because there wasn't enough money for  
11 food?

12 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
13 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section  
14 such sums as may be necessary.

