

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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At the appropriate place in subtitle C of title XXVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 28___ . WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION PROGRAM FOR**
2 **MILITARY INSTALLATIONS LOCATED IN ARI-**
3 **ZONA.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall es-
5 tablish and carry out a program to mitigate the risks of
6 wildfires to military installations located in Arizona.
7 Under such program, the Secretary shall—

8 (1) implement vegetation management and fuel
9 reduction activities on such military installations;

10 (2) establish defensible space projects around
11 critical infrastructure and training areas on such
12 military installations;

13 (3) with respect to joint wildfire prevention and
14 response activities, coordinate with—

15 (A) the heads of firefighting agencies of
16 the State of Arizona;

17 (B) the Arizona National Guard; and

18 (C) relevant local government officials; and

1 (4) conduct community buffer projects to re-
2 duce wildfire threats that could impair military
3 training and readiness.

4 (b) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than 180
5 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the
6 Secretary shall—

7 (1) develop a plan to implement the program
8 under subsection (a); and

9 (2) submit to the Committees on Armed Serv-
10 ices of the House of Representatives and the Senate,
11 the Committees on Appropriations of the House of
12 Representatives and the Senate, and each Member
13 of Congress of Arizona a report that includes—

14 (A) the plan required by paragraph (1);

15 (B) cost estimates for such program;

16 (C) performance metrics; and

17 (D) efforts of the Secretary to coordinate
18 with relevant officials of State and local govern-
19 ments.

20 (c) AVAILABLE AMOUNTS.—Of the amounts author-
21 ized to be appropriated to the Department of Defense for
22 fiscal year 2026 for operation and maintenance, the Sec-
23 retary may obligate or expend such sums as may be nec-
24 essary to carry out the program under subsection (a).

1 (d) TERMINATION DATE.—The authority of the Sec-
2 retary to carry out the program under subsection (a) shall
3 terminate on the date that is five years after the date of
4 the enactment of this section.

5 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

- 6 (1) The term “Member of Congress” has the
7 meaning given such term in section 1034 of title 10,
8 United States Code.
- 9 (2) The term “military installation” has the
10 meaning given such term in section 2801 of such
11 title.

