

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following:

1 SEC. 1724. TRIBAL INTERNET SERVICE NATIONAL SECURITY AND EDUCATION FUND.

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3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the
4 Treasury a fund to be known as the Tribal Internet Service
5 National Security and Education Fund from which
6 amounts are authorized to be made available to the State
7 for the purpose of improving internet access for Indian
8 Tribes.

9 (b) MATCHING FUNDS.—For each of fiscal years
10 2026 through 2030, there is authorized to be deposited
11 in the Fund one dollar to match every dollar allocated by
12 the State or an Indian Tribe for a substantially similar
13 purpose to the purpose described in subsection (a), up to
14 a maximum of \$1,000,000 per fiscal year.

15 (c) ROLLOVER.—Any unused amount in the Fund at
16 the end of each fiscal year is authorized to be made available
17 to the State for the following fiscal year in addition

1 to any additional amounts authorized to be deposited in
2 subsection (b).

3 (d) PRIORITY OF DISTRIBUTION.—Amounts in the
4 Fund are authorized to be made available to the State to
5 be distributed as determined by the Governor of the
6 State—

7 (1) with written approval from both the Speak-
8 er of the State House of Representatives and the
9 President of the State Senate; and

10 (2) subject to the condition that preference is
11 given to projects supporting improved internet ac-
12 cess for Indian Tribes primarily located on rural,
13 nonurban reservations.

14 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 (1) The term “Fund” means the Tribal Inter-
16 net Service National Security and Education Fund
17 established under subsection (a).

18 (2) The term “State” means the State of Ari-
19 zona.

20 (3) The term “Indian Tribe” means an Indian
21 Tribe included on the list published by the Secretary
22 of the Interior under section 104 of the Federally
23 Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994 (25
24 U.S.C. 5131)—

25 (A) that owns land within the State; or

1 (B) for the benefit of which land within
2 the State is held in trust by the United States.

