

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-

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DELAWARE**

At the end of subtitle E of title VI, insert the following:

1 **SEC. [6 ___] EXPANSION OF THE SPACE-AVAILABLE TRAV-**
2 **EL PROGRAM TO ALLOW CERTAIN DISABLED**
3 **VETERANS TO TRAVEL WITH A CAREGIVER**
4 **OR DEPENDENT ON CERTAIN AIRCRAFT.**

5 (a) EXCEPTION TO LIMITATION ON USE OF TRAVEL
6 PROGRAM FUNDS.—Section 2641b(b) of title 10, United
7 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
8 lowing new paragraph:

9 “(3) The limitation in paragraph (2) shall not apply
10 to the use of funds to purchase or design new equipment
11 to carry out paragraphs (4) and (5) of subsection (c).”.

12 (b) CERTAIN CAREGIVER OR DEPENDENT ELIGI-
13 BILITY FOR TRAVEL PROGRAM.—Section 2641b(c) of title
14 10, United States Code, is amended—

15 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (5) and (6) as
16 paragraphs (6) and (7), respectively;

1 (2) in paragraph (6) (as redesignated by para-
2 graph (1)), by striking “paragraphs (1) through
3 (3)” and inserting “paragraphs (1) through (4)”;
4 and

5 (3) by inserting after paragraph (4) the fol-
6 lowing new paragraph:

7 “(5) Subject to subsection (f) and under condi-
8 tions and circumstances as the Secretary shall speci-
9 fy in regulations under subsection (a), a caregiver or
10 family caregiver (as such terms are defined in sec-
11 tion 1720G of title 38) of a veteran with a perma-
12 nent service-connected disability rated as total.”.

13 (c) LIMITATION ON PRIORITY IN TRAVEL PRO-
14 GRAM.—Section 2641b(f) of title 10, United States Code,
15 is amended—

16 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “a veteran eli-
17 gible for travel pursuant to subsection (c)(4)” and
18 inserting “an individual eligible for travel pursuant
19 to paragraph (4) or (5) of subsection (c)”;

20 (2) in paragraphs (2) and (3), by striking “The
21 authority in subsection (c)(4)” each place it appears
22 and inserting “The authority in paragraph (4) or (5)
23 of subsection (c)”.

