

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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OFFERED BY MR. BURCHETT OF TENNESSEE

Insert after section 209 the following:

1 **SEC. 210. LIMITATION ON CENTRALIZED DELIVERY FOR**
2 **CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL HOUSING UNITS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter VII of chapter 36 of
4 title 39, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
5 end the following:

6 **“§ 3692. Limitation on centralized delivery**

7 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

8 “(1) the term ‘centralized delivery’ means a pri-
9 mary mode of mail delivery whereby mail receptacles
10 of a number of delivery points are grouped or clus-
11 tered at a single location;

12 “(2) the term ‘primary mode of mail delivery’
13 means the typical method by which the Postal Serv-
14 ice delivers letter mail to the delivery point of a
15 postal patron; and

16 “(3) the term ‘housing development’ means any
17 single-family residential home or townhouse, but
18 does not include any multi-home apartment or con-
19 dominium building.

1 “(b) RETROACTIVE CHANGE TO MODE OF DELIVERY
2 PROHIBITED.—For any housing development with respect
3 to which the primary mode of mail delivery is any such
4 mode except for centralized delivery on the date of the en-
5 actment of this section, the Postal Service may not change
6 such mode of delivery to centralized delivery.

7 “(c) APPROVAL REQUIRED.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Postal Service may not
9 require centralized delivery with respect to any hous-
10 ing development constructed after the date of the
11 enactment of this section without prior approval
12 from the local legislative body, or, in the absence of
13 a local legislative body, the legislature of the State
14 with jurisdiction over the affected property.

15 “(2) NOTICE AND COMMENT.—If approval for
16 centralized delivery is granted under paragraph (1),
17 at least 60 days before commencing such delivery,
18 the local postmaster shall provide—

19 “(A) written notice to any other units of
20 local government and any planning commissions
21 located within the applicable county; and

22 “(B) a period of 60 days for public com-
23 ment from residents, property owners, and
24 home builders within such county regarding the

1 use of centralized delivery at the applicable
2 housing development.”.

3 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
4 for chapter 36 of title 39, United States Code, is amended
5 by adding after the item relating to section 3691 the fol-
6 lowing:

“3692. Limitation on centralized delivery.”.

7 (c) POSTAL SERVICE POLICIES AFFECTING VULNER-
8 ABLE COMMUNITIES.—The Postal Regulatory Commis-
9 sion shall ensure that the United States Postal Service
10 does not change any Postal Service policy in effect on the
11 date of the enactment of this Act that would result in a
12 disproportionate negative affect on rural, lower income, el-
13 derly, disabled, or predominately minority communities.

