AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118–11

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At the end of title VIII, add the following:

1	SEC ELECTRONIC SHIPPING PAPERS.
2	(a) In General.—No later than two years after the
3	date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the
4	Federal Aviation Administration shall, in direct coordina-
5	tion with the Administrator of the Pipeline and Hazardous
6	Materials Safety Administration, issue implementing regu-
7	lations that amend section 172.201 of title 49, Code of
8	Federal Regulations, and other applicable regulations, to
9	allow for the use of electronic shipping papers.
10	(b) Considerations.—In carrying out subsection
11	(a), the Administrators shall consider—
12	(1) the potential financial and environmental
13	benefits that would be achieved by allowing for the
14	use of electronic shipping papers;
15	(2) the extent to which the use of electronic
16	shipping papers would improve the operating effi-
17	ciency of carriers and increase the resiliency of the
18	supply chain;

1	(3) the experiences of rail carriers, who are al-
2	ready authorized to accept electronic shipping papers
3	under section 172.201(a)(5) of title 49, Code of
4	Federal Regulations; and
5	(4) the extent to which authorizing the use of
6	electronic shipping papers would increase harmoni-
7	zation with existing international regulations.
8	(c) Saving Clause.—Nothing in this section shall
9	be construed to confer upon the Administrator of the Fed-
10	eral Aviation Administration the authorities of the Admin-
11	istrator of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety
12	Administration, as described in part 175 of title 49, Code
13	of Federal Regulations, and chapter 51 of title 49, United
14	States Code.
15	(d) Effect of Failure to Meet Deadline.—If
16	the Administrators determine that the Administrations
17	have not or will not meet a deadline established under sub-
18	section (a) of this section, the Administrators shall, not
19	later than 30 days after such determination, jointly notify
20	the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of
21	the House of Representatives and the Committee on Com-
22	merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate about
23	the failure to meet the target deadline.

1	(e) Contents of Notification.—A notification
2	under subsection (d) shall be accompanied by the fol-
3	lowing:
4	(1) An explanation as to why the Administra-
5	tions will not or did not meet the target deadline.
6	(2) A description of the actions that each Ad-
7	ministration plans to take to either meet the target
8	deadline or implement the regulations as soon as
9	possible.
10	(f) Briefing.—If the Administrators are required to
11	provide notice under subsection (d), the Administrators
12	shall provide the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
13	structure of the House of Representatives and the Com-
14	mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the
15	Senate monthly, in-person briefings as to the progress
16	made by the Administrations regarding implementation of
17	the regulations until such time as the Administrators have
18	completed the required work.

