

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-

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OFFERED BY MS. BYNUM OF OREGON

Page 66, after line 16, insert the following:

1 (c) COST SHARING.—Section 403 of the Agricultural
2 Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2203) is further amended
3 by adding at the end the following:

4 “(d) COST SHARING.—To the extent the Secretary
5 imposes any cost-sharing requirements pursuant to this
6 section, the Secretary may waive such requirements with
7 respect to measures undertaken in response to a wildfire
8 in a rural area (as defined in section 343 of the Agricul-
9 tural Act of 1961 (7 U.S.C. 1991)) affecting—

10 “(1) a persistent poverty county, as defined by
11 the Secretary, acting through the Administrator of
12 the Economic Research Service;

13 “(2) a community in which the median house-
14 hold income does not exceed 80 percent of the area
15 median income, as determined by the Secretary; or

16 “(3) a community that demonstrates to the
17 Secretary insufficient fiscal capacity to meet such
18 cost-sharing requirements.”.

