AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-19

OFFERED BY MR. NORMAN OF SOUTH CAROLINA

At the end of subtitle G of title VIII, add the following new section:

1 SEC. 898. PILOT PROGRAM ON PAYMENT OF COSTS FOR DENIED GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE BID PROTESTS.

Section 827 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (10 U.S.C. 2304 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by inserting “direct” before “costs incurred”; and

(B) by striking “in processing” and inserting “by the Department in support of hearings to adjudicate”; and

(2) in subsection (b), by striking “two years after the date of the enactment of this Act” and inserting “60 days after the Secretary of Defense certifies in writing to the congressional defense committees that the Department of Defense has business systems that have been independently audited and
that can accurately identify the direct costs incurred by the Department of Defense in support of hearings to adjudicate covered protests".