

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-
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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 DE-
2 NIED GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OF-
3 FICE BID PROTESTS.**

4 Section 827 of the National Defense Authorization
5 Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (10 U.S.C. 2304 note) is amend-
6 ed—

7 (1) in subsection (a)—

8 (A) by inserting “direct” before “costs in-
9 curred”; and

10 (B) by striking “in processing” and insert-
11 ing “by the Department in support of hearings
12 to adjudicate”; and

13 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “two years
14 after the date of the enactment of this Act” and in-
15 serting “60 days after the Secretary of Defense cer-
16 tifies in writing to the congressional defense commit-
17 tees that the Department of Defense has business
18 systems that have been independently audited and

1 that can accurately identify the direct costs incurred
2 by the Department of Defense in support of hear-
3 ings to adjudicate covered protests”.

