

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 117–
OFFERED BY MR. CASE OF HAWAII
National Defense Authorization Bill

At the end of subtitle H of title XXVIII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 28___ . ANNUAL REPORT ON RENEWAL OF DEPART-**
2 **MENT OF DEFENSE EASEMENTS AND LEASES**
3 **OF LAND IN HAWAII.**

4 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

5 (1) Lands throughout the State of Hawai'i,
6 which are currently owned and leased by the Depart-
7 ment of Defense or in which the Department of De-
8 fense otherwise has a real property interest, are crit-
9 ical to maintaining the readiness of the Armed
10 Forces now stationed or to be stationed in Hawai'i
11 and throughout the Indo-Pacific region and else-
12 where.

13 (2) Securing long-term continued utilization of
14 those lands by the Armed Forces is thus critical to
15 the national defense.

16 (3) As a result of various factors, including
17 complex land ownership and utilization issues and
18 competing actual and potential uses, the inter-

1 dependency of the various military components, and
2 the necessity of maintaining public support for the
3 presence and operations of the Armed Forces in Ha-
4 wai'i, the realization of the congressional and De-
5 partment of Defense goals of ensuring the continuity
6 of critical land and facilities infrastructure requires
7 a sustained, dedicated, funded, top-level effort to co-
8 ordinate realization of these goals across the Armed
9 Forces, between the Department of Defense and
10 other agencies of the Federal Government, and be-
11 tween the Department of Defense and the State of
12 Hawai'i and its civilian sector.

13 (4) The end result of this effort must account
14 for military and civilian concerns and for the chang-
15 ing missions and needs of all components of the
16 Armed Forces stationed or otherwise operating out
17 of the State of Hawai'i as the Department of De-
18 fense adjusts to meet the objectives outlined in the
19 National Defense Strategy.

20 (b) ANNUAL REPORT.—

21 (1) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than Feb-
22 ruary 1 of each year, the Secretary of Defense shall
23 submit to the congressional defense committee a re-
24 port describing the progress being made by the De-
25 partment of Defense to renew each Department of

1 Defense land lease and easement in the State of
2 Hawai'i that—

3 (A) encompasses one acre or more; and

4 (B) will expire within 10 years after the
5 date of the submission of the report.

6 (2) REPORT ELEMENTS.— Each report sub-
7 mitted under paragraph (1) shall include the fol-
8 lowing:

9 (A) The location, size, and expiration date
10 of each lease and easement.

11 (B) Major milestones and expected
12 timelines for maintaining access to the land
13 covered by each lease and easement.

14 (C) Actions completed over the preceding
15 two years for each lease and easement.

16 (D) Department-wide and service-specific
17 authorities governing each lease and easement
18 extension.

19 (E) A summary of coordination efforts be-
20 tween the Secretary of Defense and the Secre-
21 taries of the military departments.

22 (F) The status of efforts to develop an in-
23 ventory of military land in Hawai'i, including
24 current and possible future uses of the land,

1 that would assist in land negotiations with the
2 State of Hawai‘i.

3 (G) The risks and potential solutions to
4 ensure the renewability of required and critical
5 leases and easements.

