AMENDMENT TO
RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118–10
OFFERED BY MR. CASTRO OF TEXAS

At the end of subtitle B of title VII, add the following new section:

SEC. 7. TEMPORARY DEFERRAL OF MEDICAL BILLING
PENDING IMPLEMENTATION OF PROCESSES
TO REDUCE FINANCIAL HARM CAUSED TO CIVILIANS FOR CARE PROVIDED AT MILITARY MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES.

(a) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to implement section 716 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2661) and the amendments made by such section to section 1079b of title 10, United States Code.

(b) TEMPORARY DEFERRAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, until such time as the regulations specified in subsection (a) are in effect, the memorandum issued by the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs titled “Temporary Deferral in Medical Billing of Civilian Non-beneficiaries” and dated June 20, 2023, as
in effect on such date, shall have the force and effect of law.