

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-

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OFFERED BY MS. CHENEY OF WYOMING

Page 743, insert after line 16 the following (and re-designate the subsequent provisions accordingly):

1 **SEC. 20208. ENSURING CONSIDERATION OF THE NATIONAL**
2 **SECURITY IMPACTS OF URANIUM AS A CRIT-**
3 **ICAL MINERAL.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in co-
5 ordination with the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary
6 of Commerce, shall conduct an assessment of the effect
7 on national security that would result from uranium ceas-
8 ing to be designated as a critical mineral by the Secretary
9 of the Interior under section 7002(c) of the Energy Act
10 of 2020 (30 U.S.C. 1606(c)).

11 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
12 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
13 shall submit to the congressional defense committees (as
14 defined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code)
15 a report on the findings of the assessment conducted
16 under subsection (a), including—

1 (1) the effects of the loss of domestic uranium
2 production, conversion, fabrication, and enrichment
3 on—

4 (A) Federal national security programs, in-
5 cluding any existing and potential future uses
6 of unobligated uranium originating from domes-
7 tic sources; and

8 (B) the energy security of the United
9 States;

10 (2) a description of the extent of the reliance of
11 the United States on imports of uranium from for-
12 eign sources, including from state-owned entities, to
13 supply fuel for commercial reactors; and

14 (3) the effects of such reliance and other fac-
15 tors on the domestic production, conversion, fabrica-
16 tion, and enrichment of uranium.

17 (c) URANIUM CRITICAL MINERAL DESIGNATION
18 CHANGE RESTRICTED.—Notwithstanding section 7002(c)
19 of the Energy Act of 2020 (30 U.S.C. 1606(c)), until the
20 submission of the report required under subsection (b), the
21 designation of uranium as a critical mineral pursuant to
22 such section may not be altered or eliminated.

