AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117–49

OFFERED BY MR. CICILLINE OF RHODE ISLAND

Page 29, after line 4, insert the following:

(c) ECOA DEFINITIONS.—Section 702 of the Equal
 Credit Opportunity Act (15 U.S.C. 1691a), as amended
 by subsection (b), is further amended by adding at the
 end the following:

5 "(h) The term 'gender identity' means the gender6 related identity, appearance, mannerisms, or other gender7 related characteristics of an individual, regardless of the
8 individual's designated sex at birth.

9 "(i) The term 'sex' includes—

- 10 "(1) a sex stereotype;
- 11 "(2) pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical12 condition;
- 13 "(3) sexual orientation or gender identity; and
 14 "(4) sex characteristics, including intersex
 15 traits.

16 "(j) The term 'sexual orientation' means homosex-17 uality, heterosexuality, or bisexuality.

18 "(k) The term 'race', 'color', 'religion', 'national ori-19 gin', 'sex' (including 'sexual orientation' and 'gender iden-

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1 tity'), 'marital status', or 'age', used with respect to an2 individual, includes—

3 "(1) the race, color, religion, national origin,
4 sex (including sexual orientation and gender iden5 tity), marital status, or age, respectively, of another
6 person with whom the individual is associated or has
7 been associated; and

8 "(2) a perception or belief, even if inaccurate, 9 concerning the race, color, religion, national origin, 10 sex (including sexual orientation and gender iden-11 tity), marital status, or age, respectively, of the indi-12 vidual.".

13 (d) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Section 701 of the
14 Equal Credit Opportunity Act (15 U.S.C. 1691) is amend15 ed by adding at the end the following:

16 "(f) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

17 ((1))CLAIMS AND REMEDIES NOT PRE-18 CLUDED.—Nothing in this title shall be construed to 19 limit the claims or remedies available to any indi-20 vidual for an unlawful practice on the basis of race, 21 color, religion, sex (including sexual orientation and 22 gender identity), or national origin, including claims 23 brought pursuant to section 1979 or 1980 of the Re-24 vised Statutes (42 U.S.C. 1983, 1985) or any other 25 law, including a Federal law, regulation, or policy.

1 "(2) NO NEGATIVE INFERENCE.—Nothing in 2 this title shall be construed to support any inference 3 that any Federal law prohibiting a practice on the 4 basis of sex does not prohibit discrimination on the 5 basis of pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical 6 condition, sexual orientation, gender identity, or a 7 sex stereotype.".

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