

**AMENDMENT TO  
RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-29  
OFFERED BY MR. CLOUD OF TEXAS**

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. 15. LIMITATION ON STUDENT VISAS ISSUED TO CHI-**  
2 **NESE NATIONALS.**

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

5 (1) Educational exchange should operate on  
6 principles of reciprocity.

7 (2) The People’s Republic of China places sub-  
8 stantial restrictions on educational access and long-  
9 term study opportunities for United States citizens.

10 (3) The United States annually issues substan-  
11 tially more student visas to nationals of the People’s  
12 Republic of China than the People’s Republic of  
13 China issues to United States citizens.

14 (4) It is the policy of the United States to en-  
15 courage reciprocal treatment in educational ex-  
16 change programs.

17 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           (1) CHINESE NATIONAL.—The term “Chinese  
2 national” means a national of the People’s Republic  
3 of China.

4           (2) EQUIVALENT VISA ISSUANCE.—The term  
5 “equivalent visa issuance” means authorization  
6 granted by the Government of the People’s Republic  
7 of China permitting a United States citizen to en-  
8 gage in substantially comparable full-time academic  
9 study in China.

10          (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
11 the Secretary of State.

12          (4) STUDENT VISA.—The term “student visa”  
13 means a visa issued under—

14               (A) section 101(a)(15)(F) of the Immigra-  
15 tion and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
16 1101(a)(15)(F)); and

17               (B) section 101(a)(15)(J) of the Immigra-  
18 tion and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
19 1101(a)(15)(J)), when issued primarily for aca-  
20 demic study.

21          (c) ANNUAL RECIPROCITY DETERMINATION.—

22               (1) ANNUAL DETERMINATION.—Not later than  
23 October 1 of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall de-  
24 termine the number of equivalent student authoriza-  
25 tions issued by the People’s Republic of China to

1 United States citizens during the preceding fiscal  
2 year.

3 (2) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary shall con-  
4 sult with—

5 (A) the Secretary of Homeland Security;

6 (B) the Secretary of Education; and

7 (C) the United States Ambassador to the  
8 People’s Republic of China.

9 (d) NUMERICAL LIMITATION.—

10 (1) LIMITATION.—During each fiscal year, the  
11 total number of student visas issued to Chinese na-  
12 tionals may not exceed the number determined  
13 under subsection (c)(1).

14 (2) ALLOCATION.—The Secretary may allocate  
15 available visas among—

16 (A) undergraduate students;

17 (B) graduate students;

18 (C) exchange visitors; and

19 (D) research scholars.

