AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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OFFERED BY MR. CONNOLLY OF VIRGINIA

At the end of title VIII (page 400, after line 23), add the following new section:

SEC. 865. IMPROVING FEDERAL CLOUD COMPUTING CAPABILITIES.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that transition to cloud computing offers significant potential benefits for the implementation of Federal information technology projects in terms of flexibility, cost, and operational benefits.

(b) GOVERNMENTWIDE APPLICATION.—In assessing cloud computing opportunities, the Chief Information Officers Council shall define policies and guidelines for the adoption of Governmentwide programs providing for a standardized approach to security assessment and operational authorization for cloud products and services.

(c) ADDITIONAL BUDGET AUTHORITIES FOR TRANSITION.—In transitioning to the cloud, a Chief Information Officer of an agency listed in section 901(b) of title 31, United States Code, may establish such cloud service Working Capital Funds, in consultation with the Chief Fi-
nancial Officer of the agency, as may be necessary to transition to cloud-based solutions. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, such cloud service Working Capital Funds may preserve funding for cloud service transitions for a period not to exceed 5 years per appropriation. Any establishment of a new Working Capital Fund under this subsection shall be reported to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate and relevant Congressional committees.