## AMENDMENT TO

## **RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116–19** OFFERED BY MR. CORREA OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of subtitle H of title X, on page 717, after line 4, insert the following:

1 SEC. 1092. AUTOMATIC CITIZENSHIP FOR ALIENS HONOR-2 DISCHARGED ABLY FROM THE ARMED 3 FORCES. 4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 328 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1439) is amended to read 5 as follows: 6 7 "SEC. 328. AUTOMATIC CITIZENSHIP FOR ALIENS HONOR-8 ABLY DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMED 9 FORCES.

10 "(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the require-11 ments for naturalization under this Act, and except as provided in subsection (b), upon separation from the 12 Armed Forces, any alien member of the Armed Forces 13 who is honorably discharged from such service, and who 14 15 has paid all State and Federal taxes owed by the alien, shall automatically become a citizen of the United States. 16 17 "(b) OPT OUT.—In order to choose to decline to become a citizen of the United States under subsection (a), 18

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an alien described in subsection (a) shall submit to the
Secretary of Homeland Security a notification at such
time as the Secretary may reasonably require.

4 "(c) NOTICE.—The Secretary of Homeland Security, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall ensure 5 that an alien member of the Armed Forces is provided 6 7 notice of the member's option for declining citizenship 8 under this section at the time of enlistment and at a time 9 prior to separation which is adequate to provide the member sufficient time to submit a notification under sub-10 11 section (b).".

12 (b) RETROACTIVE APPLICATION.—Any alien former 13 member of the Armed Forces who was honorably discharged from such service prior to the date of the enact-14 15 ment of this Act, and who pays all State and Federal taxes owed by the alien, shall be eligible for naturalization in 16 17 accordance with section 328 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1439), and any other requirements 18 for eligibility for naturalization shall not apply. 19

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