

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-**70****OFFERED BY MR. CORREA OF CALIFORNIA**

Add at the end of subtitle G of title X the following
(and conform the table of contents accordingly):

1 **SEC. 1086. AUTOMATIC CITIZENSHIP FOR ALIENS HONOR-**
2 **ABLY DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMED**
3 **FORCES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 328 of the Immigration
5 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1439) is amended to read
6 as follows:

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
12 provided in subsection (b), upon separation from the
13 Armed Forces, any alien member of the Armed Forces
14 who is honorably discharged from such service, and who
15 has paid all State and Federal taxes owed by the alien,
16 shall automatically become a citizen of the United States.

17 “(b) OPT OUT.—In order to choose to decline to be-
18 come a citizen of the United States under subsection (a),

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

4 “(c) NOTICE.—The Secretary of Homeland Security,
5 in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall ensure
6 that an alien member of the Armed Forces is provided
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 mem-
10 ber sufficient time to submit a notification under sub-
11 section (b).”.

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

