

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 4909
OFFERED BY MR. COSTA OF CALIFORNIA**

At the end of title III, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3___. USE OF INNOVATIVE READINESS TRAINING**

2 **TEAMS FOR WELL DRILLING.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall
4 ensure that personnel of the Armed Forces participating
5 in innovative readiness training activities relating to well
6 drilling are prioritized to carry out well drilling exercises
7 in areas—

8 (1) where access to domestic drinking water
9 supplies is limited as a result of drought conditions;

10 (2) that are located in an area of exceptional
11 drought as classified by the United States Drought
12 Monitor produced jointly by the National Oceanic
13 and Atmospheric Administration and the Depart-
14 ment of Agriculture; and

15 (3) in which the average household income is
16 below 75 percent of the three-year average median
17 household income for the State in which the area is
18 located.

1 (b) BRIEFING.—If well drilling exercises are not car-
2 ried out in the areas described in subsection (a), the Sec-
3 retary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on
4 Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Represent-
5 atives a briefing that explains the reasons such exercises
6 were not carried out in such areas.

7 (c) INNOVATIVE READINESS TRAINING.—The term
8 “innovative readiness training” means activities carried
9 out pursuant to section 2012 of title 10, United States
10 Code.

