

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-**

**33**

**OFFERED BY MR. CRANE OF ARIZONA**

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 17\_\_.** **ASSESSMENT OF COUNTER-SUBTERRANEAN**  
2 **TECHNOLOGIES.**

3 (a) **ASSESSMENT.**—Not later than one year after the  
4 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter  
5 for each of the subsequent five years, the Director of the  
6 Combating Terrorism Technical Support Office of the De-  
7 partment of Defense, in coordination with the Under Sec-  
8 retary of Defense for Research and Engineering, shall con-  
9 vene an engagement with appropriate officials of the De-  
10 partment of Homeland Security, including the United  
11 States Border Patrol Subterranean Program Management  
12 Office, to—

13 (1) identify Department of Defense-developed  
14 or Department of Defense-sponsored technologies,  
15 capabilities, and research efforts relevant to the de-  
16 tection, mapping, monitoring, or mitigation of sub-  
17 terranean threats;

1           (2) assess opportunities to transition, adapt,  
2           test, or evaluate such technologies for operational  
3           use in detecting, monitoring, and countering illicit  
4           cross-border tunnel activity along the international  
5           borders of the United States;

6           (3) identify opportunities for collaboration re-  
7           lating to research, development, testing, evaluation,  
8           and technology transition activities concerning  
9           counter-subterranean capabilities; and

10          (4) identify barriers to interagency cooperation,  
11          technology transfer, testing, evaluation, or deploy-  
12          ment of such capabilities.

13          (b) ANNUAL REPORT AND BRIEFING.—Not later  
14          than 90 days after each engagement required under sub-  
15          section (a), the Director of the Combating Terrorism  
16          Technical Support Office shall submit a report and pro-  
17          vide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Services and  
18          the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of  
19          Representatives and the Committee on Armed Services  
20          and the Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-  
21          mental Affairs of the Senate that includes a description  
22          of—

23                 (1) the technologies, capabilities, and research  
24                 efforts discussed during the engagement;

1           (2) opportunities identified for further research,  
2           development, testing, evaluation, transition, or oper-  
3           ational assessment activities;

4           (3) recommendations for improving coordina-  
5           tion between the Department of Defense and Fed-  
6           eral partners regarding counter-subterranean tech-  
7           nologies; and

8           (4) any legislative, regulatory, or administrative  
9           barriers affecting the development, transition, or de-  
10          ployment of counter-subterranean capabilities.

