

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-

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OFFERED BY MR. CRENSHAW OF TEXAS

At the end of subtitle I of title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5** ____ . **AUTHORIZATION FOR AWARD OF THE MEDAL OF**
2 **HONOR TO ALWYN CASHE FOR ACTS OF**
3 **VALOR DURING OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.**

4 (a) **WAIVER OF TIME LIMITATIONS.**—Notwith-
5 standing the time limitations specified in section 7271 of
6 title 10, United States Code, or any other time limitation
7 with respect to the awarding of certain medals to persons
8 who served in the Armed Forces, the President may award
9 the Medal of Honor under section 7271 of such title to
10 Alwyn C. Cashe for the acts of valor during Operation
11 Iraqi Freedom described in subsection (b).

12 (b) **ACTS OF VALOR DESCRIBED.**—The acts of valor
13 referred to in subsection (a) are the actions of Alwyn
14 Cashe on October 17, 2005, in Samarra, Iraq, during Op-
15 eration Iraqi Freedom, when, as a Sergeant First Class
16 in Company A, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment,
17 3rd Infantry Division, with no regard to his own safety
18 or wellbeing, he repeatedly entered a burning Bradley

1 Fighting Vehicle after it struck an improvised explosive
2 device. While receiving small arms fire, he made his first
3 evacuation of his Soldiers. On his second evacuation of
4 Soldiers, his own fuel-soaked uniform caught on fire, yet
5 he returned to the burning Bradley Fighting Vehicle for
6 a third evacuation. Cashe, injured the worst of all in-
7 volved, with second- and third- degree burns over 72 per-
8 cent of his body, still led recovery efforts and refused med-
9 ical evacuation until his men were evacuated to safety and
10 treatment. Cashe's actions saved the lives of six of his Sol-
11 diers. Sergeant First Class Alwyn Cashe succumbed from
12 his wounds on November 8, 2005 at Brooks Army Medical
13 Center, Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. He was
14 posthumously awarded the Silver Star for his heroism.

