

**AMENDMENT TO**  
**RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118–10**  
**OFFERED BY MR. CROW OF COLORADO**

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 7\_\_\_.** **MEDICAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT**  
2 **STRATEGY FOR COMBINED TRAUMATIC INJU-**  
3 **RIES SUSTAINED IN COMBAT OPERATIONS.**

4 (a) STRATEGY.—Not later than May 31, 2024, the  
5 Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (in co-  
6 ordination with the Surgeons General of the Armed  
7 Forces, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear,  
8 Chemical, and Biological Defense Programs, the Joint  
9 Trauma Analysis and Prevention of Injury in Combat  
10 partnership, and the National Center for Medical Intel-  
11 ligence) shall develop a strategy to address medical re-  
12 search and development gaps essential to furnishing med-  
13 ical care to casualties experiencing combined traumatic in-  
14 juries and injuries resulting from exposures across the  
15 chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear spectrum.

16 (b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy under subsection (a)  
17 shall include, at a minimum, the following:

1           (1) An assessment of the investments made by  
2           the Secretary of Defense into supporting efforts re-  
3           lated to such combined injuries.

4           (2) A review of the laboratory and medical  
5           product development capabilities of the Department  
6           of Defense to conduct research and development  
7           into, and support the transition and fielding of,  
8           treatments for such combined injuries;

9           (3) An identification of any clinical practice  
10          guidelines to treat combined such combined injuries,  
11          and recommendations to amend any such guidelines.

12          (4) Recommendations for increased investments  
13          in research and development to be made by the Sec-  
14          retary of Defense for the conduct of preclinical re-  
15          search, for the purpose of—

16                (A) optimizing the treatment of such com-  
17                bined injuries; and

18                (B) protecting health care providers and  
19                other medical personnel furnishing such treat-  
20                ment.

21          (5) A plan for the engagement between the De-  
22          partment of Defense and institutions of higher edu-  
23          cation with medical centers, and other similar enti-  
24          ties, to support public-private partnerships to ad-  
25          dress such combined injuries.

1           (c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 30 days after the date  
2 on which the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health  
3 Affairs completes the strategy under subsection (a), the  
4 Assistant Secretary shall provide to the congressional de-  
5 fense committees a briefing on such strategy.

