

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-8**  
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At the end of subtitle I of title V, add the following  
new section:

**1 SEC. 5 \_\_\_\_ . PILOT PROGRAM AND STUDY ON PHONE-FREE**  
**2 DODEA SCHOOLS.**

**3 (a) PILOT PROGRAM.—**

**4 (1) PROGRAM ESTABLISHED.—**The Secretary of  
**5 Defense shall establish and carry out a pilot pro-**  
**6 gram through which the Secretary, in consultation**  
**7 with the Director of the Department of Defense**  
**8 Education Activity, shall award grants to not fewer**  
**9 than 15 schools operated by the Activity to enable**  
**10 such schools—**

**11 (A) to implement a policy prohibiting the**  
**12 use of mobile devices by students during the**  
**13 school day; and**

**14 (B) to purchase secure containers and in-**  
**15 stall lockers for mobile devices to facilitate the**  
**16 implementation of such policy.**

**17 (2) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—**In carrying  
**18 out the program under paragraph (1), the Secretary**  
**19 shall ensure that participating schools—**

1 (A) have a communication system (which  
2 may include the use of mobile devices) allowing  
3 teachers, administrators, and staff to commu-  
4 nicate with each other and with local emergency  
5 responders; and

6 (B) have a clear process for students to  
7 contact their parents.

8 (3) SELECTION.—The Secretary of Defense, in  
9 consultation with the Director of the Department of  
10 Defense Education Activity, shall select schools for  
11 participation in the pilot program based on the Sec-  
12 retary's determination that the school's participation  
13 is likely to yield helpful information relevant to test-  
14 ing a school environment free of mobile devices.

15 (4) EXEMPTIONS.—Schools participating in the  
16 pilot program shall establish appropriate exemptions  
17 to the prohibition on the use of mobile devices pur-  
18 suant to which such devices may be used during  
19 school hours—

20 (A) to monitor or treat health conditions;

21 (B) by students who are children with dis-  
22 abilities; and

23 (C) by students who are English learners  
24 for translation purposes.

25 (b) STUDY AND REPORT.—

1           (1) STUDY.—In conjunction with the pilot pro-  
2           gram under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense,  
3           in consultation with the Director of the Department  
4           of Defense Education Activity, shall conduct a study  
5           on the use of mobile devices in schools operated by  
6           the Activity. The study shall—

7                   (A) address the impact of such use on—

8                           (i) student learning and academic  
9                           achievement;

10                          (ii) student educational outcomes and  
11                          engagement;

12                          (iii) student mental health;

13                          (iv) classroom instruction; and

14                          (v) school climate and student behav-  
15                          ior; and

16                   (B) include an analysis of data collected  
17                   from schools participating in the pilot program  
18                   under subsection (a).

19           (2) REPORT.—Following the completion of the  
20           study required under paragraph (1), the Secretary  
21           of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the  
22           Department of Defense Education Activity, shall  
23           submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
24           Senate and the House of Representatives a report on  
25           the results of the study. The Secretary shall make

1 the report submitted under this paragraph available  
2 on a publicly accessible website of the Department  
3 of Defense.

