AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT of H.R. 7

OFFERED BY MR. CULBERSON OF TEXAS

At the end of title II of the bill, insert the following:

1	SEC. LOSS OF ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
2	FUNDS.
3	(a) Loss of Eligibility.— Except as provided in
4	subsection (b), if the Metropolitan Transit Authority of
5	Harris County, Texas, attempts to construct or constructs
6	a new fixed guideway capital project, including light rail,
7	on Richmond Avenue west of Montrose Boulevard or on
8	Post Oak Boulevard north of Richmond Avenue in Hous-
9	ton, Texas, the Secretary of Transportation shall exclude
10	the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County,
11	Texas, from eligibility for any programs and funding
12	under chapter 53 of title 23.
13	(b) Exception for New Election.—The Metro-
14	politan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas, may
15	attempt to construct or construct a new fixed guideway
16	capital project, including light rail, in the locations re-
17	ferred to in subsection (a) if—
18	(1) voters in the jurisdiction that includes such
19	locations approve a ballot proposition that specifies

1	routes on Richmond Avenue west of Montrose Bou-
2	levard or on Post Oak Boulevard north of Richmond
3	Avenue in Houston, Texas; and
4	(2) the proposed construction of such routes is
5	part of a comprehensive public transportation im-
6	provement plan that includes multiple additional
7	segments of fixed guideway capital projects, includ-
8	ing light rail for the jurisdiction set forth in the bal-
9	lot proposition.
10	(c) Definition.—The term "new fixed guideway
11	capital project" has the same meaning given such term
12	in section $5309(a)(1)$.

