AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-57

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Page 307, after line 3, insert the following new section:

SEC. 524. DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDELINES FOR USE OF UNOFFICIAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF MEMBERS AND FORMER MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES FOR DECORATIONS AND BENEFITS WHEN THE SERVICE RECORDS ARE INCOMPLETE BECAUSE OF DAMAGE TO THE OFFICIAL RECORD.


(1) in the section heading, by inserting “AND BENEFITS” after “DECORATIONS”;

(2) in subsection (a)—

(A) by inserting “and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs” after “military departments”; and
(B) by inserting “and benefits” after “decorations”; (3) by redesignating subsection (b) as subsection (c); and (4) by inserting after subsection (a) the following new subsection:

“(b) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall prepare the guidelines in consultation with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, with respect to veterans benefits under title 38, United States Code, whose eligibility determinations depend on the use of service records maintained by the Department of Defense.”.