

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

36

OFFERED BY MR. SCHNEIDER OF ILLINOIS

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 10___ . ENHANCED SCREENING PROCEDURES WITH**
2 **RESPECT TO DOMESTIC EXTREMIST ACTIV-**
3 **ITY.**

4 (a) ENHANCED SCREENING PROCEDURES.—Not
5 later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this
6 Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish and imple-
7 ment enhanced screening procedures applicable to Depart-
8 ment of Defense civilian employees and members of the
9 Armed Forces within the security clearance process to
10 identify indicators of domestic extremist activity. Such en-
11 hanced screening procedures—

12 (1) shall incorporate methodologies consistent
13 with existing guidelines outlined in Executive Order
14 12968, as amended, and any relevant Department of
15 Defense directives or regulations; and

16 (2) may include scrutiny of social media activ-
17 ity, affiliations, communications, and other relevant

1 information to detect and assess potential indicators
2 of domestic extremist ideologies or associations.

3 (b) ENGAGEMENT IN DOMESTIC EXTREMIST ACTIV-
4 ITY.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that—

5 (1) any indication or suspicion that an indi-
6 vidual has engaged in domestic extremist activity
7 that is discovered during the security clearance proc-
8 ess shall be promptly reported to appropriate au-
9 thorities for further investigation; and

10 (2) any individual found to have engaged in or
11 supported domestic extremist activities shall be sub-
12 ject to appropriate disciplinary actions in accordance
13 with applicable laws, regulations, and Department of
14 Defense policies, including the revocation or denial
15 of security clearance where warranted.

16 (c) COLLABORATION.—The Secretary of Defense
17 shall collaborate with relevant stakeholders to develop and
18 implement programs aimed at preventing and countering
19 domestic extremism within the Department of Defense
20 and the Armed Forces.

21 (d) OVERSIGHT.—

22 (1) IG AUDITS AND ASSESSMENTS.—The In-
23 spector General of the Department of Defense shall
24 conduct periodic audits and assessments to evaluate
25 the effectiveness and compliance of the enhanced

1 screening procedures established under subsection

2 (a)

3 (2) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary of
4 Defense shall submit to Congress regular reports re-
5 garding the implementation and outcomes of this
6 section, including any challenges or successes en-
7 countered in enforcing the requirements of this sec-
8 tion.

9 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) The term “domestic extremism”—has the
11 meaning given such term in section 2331 of title 18,
12 United States Code

13 (2) The term “security clearance” has the
14 meaning given such term in Executive Order 12968.

