

AMENDMENT TO TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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At the end of section 5404 (page 447, after line 6)
add the following:

1 (d) PILOT PROGRAM.—

2 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—In addition to the pilot
3 program under subsection (b), not later than 180
4 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the
5 Secretary of Transportation shall establish a pilot
6 program that allows an individual under the age of
7 21 years to operate a commercial motor vehicle if—

8 (A) the individual is at least 18 years of
9 age;

10 (B) the individual satisfies all requirements
11 to qualify as a commercial motor vehicle driver
12 (other than requirements relating to age);

13 (C) the commercial motor vehicle is oper-
14 ated not more than 150 air miles from the nor-
15 mal work reporting location of the individual, as
16 determined by the Secretary; and

17 (D) the commercial motor vehicle is oper-
18 ated for the purpose of transporting farm sup-

1 plies, agricultural commodities, farm machinery,
2 livestock, poultry, or other agricultural products
3 as determined by the Secretary.

4 (2) SAFETY STUDY.—In carrying out the pilot
5 program, the Secretary shall conduct a study to de-
6 termine the impact of the program on commercial
7 motor vehicle safety.

8 (3) REPORT.—On the date that is 3 years after
9 the date on which the pilot program is established,
10 the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report de-
11 scribing the results of the study conducted under
12 paragraph, including a determination of whether the
13 program had a negative impact on safety.

14 (4) TERMINATION.—The pilot program shall
15 terminate upon submission of the report under para-
16 graph (3) if the report includes a determination that
17 the program had a negative impact on safety.

18 (5) PERMANENT AUTHORITY.—If the report
19 submitted under paragraph (3) does not include a
20 determination that the pilot program had a negative
21 impact on safety, the Secretary shall issue or revise
22 regulations to allow, on a permanent basis, an indi-
23 vidual under the age of 21 years to operate a com-
24 mercial motor vehicle in accordance with the condi-

- 1 tions specified in subparagraphs (A), (B), (C), and
- 2 (D) of paragraph (1).

