

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

36

OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

At the end of subtitle C of title XVII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 17___ . ESTABLISHMENT OF SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND**
2 **REGIONAL COMMISSION.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Section 15301(a) of title 40,
4 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
5 following:

6 “(5) The Southern New England Regional
7 Commission.”.

8 (b) PURPOSES FOR ECONOMIC AND INFRASTRUC-
9 TURE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS.—Section 15501(a) of such
10 title is amended to read as follows:

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—A Commission may make grants
12 to States and local governments, Indian tribes, and public
13 and nonprofit organizations for projects, approved in ac-
14 cordance with section 15503—

15 “(1) to develop the transportation infrastruc-
16 ture of its region;

17 “(2) to develop the basic public infrastructure
18 of its region;

1 “(3) to develop the telecommunications infra-
2 structure of its region;

3 “(4) to assist its region in obtaining job skills
4 training, skills development and employment-related
5 education, career pathways, apprenticeships opportu-
6 nities, entrepreneurship, technology, job coaching to
7 address the cliff effect, work supports (including
8 child care), and business development;

9 “(5) to provide assistance to severely economi-
10 cally distressed and underdeveloped areas of a region
11 that lack financial resources for improving basic
12 health care, two-generational practices that improve
13 school and workforce readiness and success, and
14 other public services, including work supports crit-
15 ical for families seeking employment which may in-
16 clude quality child care, transportation, health, and
17 housing;

18 “(6) to promote resource conservation, tourism,
19 recreation, and preservation of open space in a man-
20 ner consistent with economic development goals;

21 “(7) to promote the development of renewable
22 and alternative energy sources;

23 “(8) to support the maritime economy, includ-
24 ing boat and ship building and repair industries;

1 “(9) to assist in developing defense manufac-
2 turing industries;

3 “(10) to promote the adoption of composite and
4 other innovative materials in public transportation;

5 “(11) to grow the capacity for successful com-
6 munity economic development in its region;

7 “(12) to provide for employment training for
8 populations seeking employment, including parents
9 in poverty, adults in recovery, and reentry adults, in
10 areas with worker shortages; and

11 “(13) to otherwise achieve the purposes of this
12 subtitle.”.

13 (c) DESIGNATION OF REGION.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter
15 157 of such title is amended by adding at the end
16 the following:

17 **“§ 15735. Southern New England Regional Commis-
18 sion**

19 “The region of the Southern New England Regional
20 Commission shall include the following counties:

21 “(1) RHODE ISLAND.—Each county in the
22 State of Rhode Island.

23 “(2) CONNECTICUT.—The counties of Hartford,
24 New Haven, Litchfield, Windham, Tolland, Mid-
25 dlesex, and New London in the State of Connecticut.

1 “(3) MASSACHUSETTS.—The counties of
2 Hampden, Plymouth, Barnstable, Essex, Worcester
3 and Bristol in the State of Massachusetts.”.

4 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for
5 subchapter II of chapter 157 of such title is amend-
6 ed by adding at the end the following:

“15735. Southern New England Regional Commission.”.

