AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-63

OFFERED BY MR. DESAULNIER OF CALIFORNIA

Page 830, after line 5, insert the following:

SEC. 12114. RENEWABLE ENERGY TRANSITION GRANT PROGRAM.

(a) In general.—The Secretary of Energy, in coordination with the Secretary of Labor, shall establish a grant program for local governments for the purpose of developing a plan to transition workers from employment in fossil fuel industries to employment in sustainable industries.

(b) Eligibility.—The Secretary of Energy may award grants under subsection (a) to local governments—

(1) that establish industry or sector partnerships (as defined in section 3 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3102));

(2) that are in localities that the Secretary of Energy determines to have a percentage of traditional energy sector jobs that is average or above average relative to the United States.

(c) Determination of percentage of traditional energy sector jobs.—In making the deter-
ination under subsection (b)(2), the Secretary of Energy shall take into consideration information from the report entitled “U.S. Energy and Employment Report” issued by the Secretary in January, 2017.

(d) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds under subsection (a) may be used for the following purposes:

(1) To develop a transition plan described in subsection (a).

(2) To develop an apprenticeship program to train individuals employed in fossil fuel industries and individuals who are new to the workforce for jobs in sustainable industries.

(e) TRANSITION PLAN REQUIREMENTS.—A transition plan funded under subsection (a) shall include a plan for unemployment insurance, job transition training, and community services for the communities affected by the transition.

(f) AUTHORIZATION.—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as necessary to carry out this section.

On page 9, after the matter relating to section 12113, insert the following:

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