Amendment to the Rules Committee Print 115-25 Offered by Mr. Doggett of Texas

Page 386, after line 19, insert the following:

1 SEC. 6 . SAFETY FOR COMMERCIAL BALLOONS.

2 The Secretary of Transportation shall modify the reg-3 ulation in section 91.147 of title 14, Code of Federal Reg-4 ulations, to require commercial balloon operators to obtain 5 and maintain a letter of authorization (in this section re-6 ferred to as "LOA") to conduct air tour flights. In addition the Secretary shall revise FAA Order 1800.56J enti-7 8 tled "National Flight Standards Work Program Guide-9 lines" to encourage principal operations inspectors to in-10 clude in their general surveillance activities commercial balloon operators that hold letters of authorization (LOA), 11 12 especially upon initial issuance of the LOA and then as necessary, particularly if the operator is involved in an ac-13 cident. 14

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