AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 1735
Offered by Mr. Dold of Illinois

Page 276, after line 21, insert the following:

SEC. 643. AUTHORIZING RESIDENTS OF CERTAIN FOOD DESERTS TO ACCESS CERTAIN COMMISSARY STORES.

(a) Community Members Authorized to Use Commissary Stores in Selected Eligible Communities.—Persons residing within an eligible community (as defined in subsection (e)) that is selected under subsection (b) shall be considered with respect to the store described in subsection (e)(3) to be persons authorized under chapter 54 of title 10, United States Code, to use the defense commissary system established under section 2481 of such title.

(b) Selection of Eligible Communities.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, for purposes of this section the Secretary of Defense shall select 5 eligible communities, except that if there are fewer than 5 such communities the Secretary shall select all such communities.
(c) **ADDITIONAL CHARGE.**—A person who is only authorized to use a commissary store due to subsection (a) shall be charged an additional amount on each purchase in the store equal to the State and local sales taxes that would otherwise apply to such purchase in the State and locality in which the store is located. The amounts collected under this subsection may be used only for the purposes described in section 2484(h) of title 10, United States Code.

(d) **REGULATIONS.**—The Secretary shall issue such regulations as are necessary to carry out this section.

(e) **ELIGIBLE COMMUNITY DEFINED.**—In this section, the term “eligible community” means a census tract—

(1) that has a poverty rate of 20 percent or greater;

(2) where at least 500 individuals or at least 33 percent of the census tract’s population live—

(A) in the case of a metropolitan census tract, more than 1 mile from a supermarket or large grocery store; or

(B) in the case of a nonmetropolitan census tract, more than 10 miles from a supermarket or large grocery store; and
(3) in which is located a commissary store or that is adjacent to a census tract in which is located a commissary store.