

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT FOR  
H.R. 4909  
OFFERED BY MR. DONOVAN OF NEW YORK**

At the end of title XXXV add the following:

1 **SEC. 35 \_\_\_\_ . EXPEDITED PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS**  
2 **FOR TRANSPORTATION SECURITY CARDS**  
3 **FOR SEPARATING MEMBERS OF THE ARMED**  
4 **FORCES AND VETERANS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 70105 of title 46, United  
6 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
7 lowing:

8 “(r) EXPEDITED ISSUANCE FOR SEPARATING SERV-  
9 ICE MEMBERS.—The Secretary shall, using authority  
10 available under other provisions of law—

11 “(1) seek to expedite processing of applications  
12 for transportation security cards under this section  
13 for members of the Armed Forces who are sepa-  
14 rating from active duty service with a discharge  
15 other than a dishonorable discharge;

16 “(2) in consultation with the Secretary of De-  
17 fense—

18 “(A) enhance efforts of the Department of  
19 Homeland Security in assisting members of the

1           Armed Forces who are separating from active  
2           duty service with receiving a transportation se-  
3           curity card, including by—

4                   “(i) including under the Transition  
5                   Assistance Program under section 1144 of  
6                   title 10—

7                           “(I) applications for such cards;  
8                           and

9                                   “(II) a form by which such a  
10                                   member may grant the member’s per-  
11                                   mission for government agencies to  
12                                   disclose to the Department of Home-  
13                                   land Security findings of background  
14                                   investigations of such member, for  
15                                   consideration by the Department in  
16                                   processing the member’s application  
17                                   for a transportation security card;

18                                   “(ii) providing opportunities for local  
19                                   officials of the department in which the  
20                                   Coast Guard is operating to partner with  
21                                   military installations for that purpose; and

22                                   “(iii) ensuring that such members of  
23                                   the Armed Forces are aware of opportuni-  
24                                   ties to apply for such cards;

1           “(B) seek to educate members of the  
2           Armed Forces with competencies that are  
3           transferable to maritime industries regarding—

4                   “(i) opportunities for employment in  
5                   such industries; and

6                   “(ii) the requirements and qualifica-  
7                   tions for, and duties associated with, trans-  
8                   portation security cards; and

9           “(C) cooperate with other Federal agencies  
10           to expedite the transfer to the Secretary the  
11           findings of relevant background investigations  
12           and security clearances; and

13           “(3) issue or deny a transportation security  
14           card under this section for a veteran by not later  
15           than 13 days after the date of the submission of the  
16           application for the card, unless there is a substantial  
17           problem with the application that prevents compli-  
18           ance with this paragraph.”.

19           (b) REPORTS.—Not later than 6 months after the  
20           date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter  
21           for each of the subsequent 2 years, the Secretary of the  
22           department in which the Coast Guard is operating, in con-  
23           sultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit a re-  
24           port to the Committee on Homeland Security of the House  
25           of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Secu-

1 rity and Governmental Affairs of the Senate describing  
2 and assessing the efforts of such department to implement  
3 the amendment made by this section.

4 **SEC. 35\_\_\_ . TRAINING UNDER TRANSITION ASSISTANCE**  
5 **PROGRAM ON EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**  
6 **ASSOCIATED WITH TRANSPORTATION SECU-**  
7 **RITY CARDS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1144(b) of title 10,  
9 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the  
10 following new paragraph:

11 “(10) Acting through the Secretary of the de-  
12 partment in which the Coast Guard is operating,  
13 provide information on career opportunities for em-  
14 ployment available to members with transportation  
15 security cards issued under section 70105 of title  
16 46.”.

17 (b) DEADLINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION.—The pro-  
18 gram carried out under section 1144 of title 10, United  
19 States Code, shall comply with the requirements of sub-  
20 section (b)(10) of such section, as added by subsection (a),  
21 by not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment  
22 of this Act.

