

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
OF H.R. 7
OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT**

Page 104, insert after line 2 the following:

1 “(I) PUBLIC BENEFIT.—If the use or pur-
2 pose of a project is private, the Secretary may
3 not approve the project unless the Secretary de-
4 termines that financial assistance for the
5 project will create a public benefit.

6 “(J) ECONOMIC GROWTH AND JOB CRE-
7 ATION.—The project shall promote economic
8 growth and job creation, as determined by the
9 Secretary on the basis of an analysis which
10 prioritizes among projects and takes into ac-
11 count the following:

12 “(i) The extent to which the project
13 contributes to the economic competitive-
14 ness of the United States over the
15 medium- to long-term.

16 “(ii) The value for money to taxpayers
17 of providing financial assistance for the
18 project.

1 “(iii) The extent to which the project
2 improves the safety of transportation facili-
3 ties and systems in the United States, in-
4 cluding reducing the risk of structural fail-
5 ure to such facilities and systems over the
6 service life of the project.

7 “(iv) The extent to which the project
8 helps to reduce traffic congestion, improve
9 energy efficiency, reduce dependence on oil,
10 reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and
11 maintain or protect the environment.

12 “(v) The extent to which the project
13 improves the quality of living and working
14 environments or otherwise provides public
15 health benefits.”.

