

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119–33
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Add at the end of ___ add the following:

Sec. ___. Briefing on Protecting Free and Fair Elections

Not later than August 1, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services on Department policies, procedures, training, and coordination efforts related to the maintenance of free and fair elections during the November 1, 2026, federal election. The briefing shall include the following:

- (1) A summary of Department guidance regarding compliance with all applicable laws governing the role of the Armed Forces in domestic election-related activities, including restrictions on the deployment of federal troops at polling locations;
- (2) A description of training and oversight measures provided to military personnel concerning election-related activities and civilian interactions;
- (3) A summary of coordination between the Department of Defense and other federal, state, and local authorities regarding election security planning and support activities; and
- (4) A description of any additional measures the Department is taking to maintain public confidence in the neutrality of the Armed Forces during the 2026 federal election cycle.