

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

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OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

At the end of subtitle F of title X, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 10___. REPORT ON COST AND TIME BURDENS IM-**
2 **POSED ON MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES**
3 **DUE TO LACK OF ADEQUATE COMMERCIAL**
4 **FLIGHT SERVICES TO NEXT STATION FOR**
5 **TRAINING OR PERMANENT CHANGE OF STA-**
6 **TION MOVES.**

7 Not later than May 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense
8 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-
9 port on the burdens, in both cost and time, imposed on
10 members of the Armed Forces and their families who are
11 traveling from their station for training or for permanent
12 change-of-station moves using commercial airlines and air-
13 ports when direct flights are not available between an air-
14 port close to the location of the base where they are sta-
15 tioned and an airport close to the location to which they
16 need to travel. Such report shall include—

17 (1) an assessment of the average time a mem-
18 ber of the Armed Forces is likely to spend in transit

1 when traveling by commercial air, aggregated by ac-
2 tive duty and reserve status, to address rural and
3 suburban installations;

4 (2) an assessment of the average cost to a
5 member of the Armed Forces of commercial air
6 transit when traveling to their next station for train-
7 ing or for a permanent change-of-station move, ag-
8 gregated by active duty and reserve status, to ad-
9 dress rural and suburban installations;

10 (3) a list of the 15 largest active military instal-
11 lations in the continental United States;

12 (4) an overview of commercial airline accessi-
13 bility to the military installations on the list required
14 by paragraph (3);

15 (5) an overview of commercial airline accessi-
16 bility from such military installations to the United
17 States capital, especially as it pertains to military
18 families; and

19 (6) recommendations that could make such
20 military installations more accessible by commercial
21 air transport, particularly when local airports may
22 be in closer proximity to such an installation, includ-
23 ing accessible to and from the United States capital
24 to enable members of the Armed Forces and their
25 families to sustain trips to bolster quality of life and

- 1 engage with their Federal representatives should
- 2 they choose to do so.

