

**AMENDMENT TO**  
**RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-54**  
**OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS**

At the end of subtitle B of title VII, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 7\_\_\_ . IMPROVEMENTS TO MILITARY MEDICAL TREAT-**  
2 **MENT FACILITIES AND OTHER FACILITIES**  
3 **UNDER MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM.**

4 (a) **STUDY.**—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct  
5 a study on any deficiencies of, and necessary improve-  
6 ments to, military medical treatment facilities and other  
7 covered facilities, to ensure the design, construction, and  
8 maintenance of such facilities are in compliance with each  
9 covered code, specification, and standard. Such study shall  
10 include an identification of any necessary updates to the  
11 Unified Facilities Criteria relating to military construction  
12 planning and design with respect to such facilities, to en-  
13 sure such compliance.

14 (b) **REPORTS.**—

15 (1) **FIRST REPORT.**—Not later than one year  
16 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
17 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional  
18 defense committees a report on the findings of the

1 study under subsection (a). Such report shall in-  
2 clude—

3 (A) for each covered facility, a description  
4 of any deficiencies identified pursuant to such  
5 study; and

6 (B) the plans of the Secretary, including  
7 costs and timelines, to address such deficiencies  
8 through the rehabilitation, repair, or retrofit of  
9 the facility, as applicable.

10 (2) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than one  
11 year after the date on which the report under para-  
12 graph (1) is submitted, and on an annual basis  
13 thereafter until the date on which the Secretary de-  
14 termines all covered facilities are in compliance with  
15 each covered code, specification, and standard, the  
16 Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense  
17 committees a report on the progress made toward  
18 addressing any deficiency of a covered facility and  
19 maintaining covered facilities, to ensure such compli-  
20 ance.

21 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 (1) The term “covered code, specification, and  
23 standard”—

24 (A) means the latest published edition of  
25 any code, specification, or standard that incor-

1 porates the latest hazard-resistant and energy-  
2 efficient designs, establishes minimum accept-  
3 able criteria for design, construction, or mainte-  
4 nance, and is at least as stringent as the pre-  
5 viously published edition; and

6 (B) includes the following (or the latest  
7 published edition thereof that is at least as  
8 stringent as the previously published edition):

9 (i) The 2021 International Energy  
10 Conservation Code.

11 (ii) The ASHRAE Standard 90.1.

12 (iii) The ASHRAE Standard 170.

13 (iv) The ASHRAE Standard 189.3.

14 (v) The American Society of Civil En-  
15 gineers Minimum Design Loads for Build-  
16 ings and Other Structures (ASCE Stand-  
17 ard ASCE 7).

18 (vi) The International Wildland-Urban  
19 Interface Code.

20 (vii) Executive Order 13690 of Janu-  
21 ary 30, 2015 (80 Fed. Reg. 6425) (relat-  
22 ing to a Federal Flood Risk Management  
23 Standard for critical facilities).

24 (2) The term “covered facility” means any De-  
25 partment of Defense-owned facility used for activi-

1       ties under the military health system, including mili-  
2       tary medical treatment facilities, military ambula-  
3       tory care and occupational health facilities, and de-  
4       fense health research facilities.

