AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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Page 120, strike lines 10 through 18 (and redesignate subsequent sections, and conform the table of contents, accordingly).

Page 256, after line 9, insert the following (and conform the table of contents accordingly):

1 SEC. 814. REGULATIONS RELATING TO CERTAIN FIRE DANGERS.
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3 (a) PRIMARY LITHIUM BATTERIES OR CELLS.—Not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration and the Administrator of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration shall jointly issue regulations that prohibit the transportation of primary lithium batteries or cells by means of a covered aircraft until such time as the Administrators—
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5 (1) determine that there is available for use—
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7 (A) packaging that has been proven to safely contain a fire relating to such batteries or cells; and
(B) an aircraft fire detection and suppression system that has been proven to safely detect and suppress a fire relating to such batteries or cells; or

(2) jointly issue regulations that allow the transportation of such batteries or cells by means of a covered aircraft only if—

(A) the crew of the aircraft is notified of such transportation;

(B) the aircraft is appropriately protected from the dangers of a fire by—

(i) packaging described in paragraph (1)(A); and

(ii) an aircraft fire detection and suppression system described in paragraph (1)(B); or

(C) other actions the Administrators determine appropriate for materials treated as hazardous are taken.

(b) COCKPIT VISIBILITY.—Not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall issue regulations that require all covered aircraft to have equipment that maintains visibility in the cockpit, notwithstanding the presence of dense, continuous smoke, sufficient to
allow a pilot to see basic flight instruments and the outside environment.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) COVERED AIRCRAFT.—The term “covered aircraft” means any aircraft involved in air transportation (as that term is defined in section 40102(a) of title 49, United States Code).

(2) PRIMARY LITHIUM BATTERY OR CELL.—The term “primary lithium battery or cell” means a lithium metal battery or cell that is not designed to be electrically charged or recharged.