

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE
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Page 186, after line 14, insert the following, and re-designate subsequent subtitles (and sections within such subtitles) accordingly:

1 **Subtitle O—Open Primaries**

2 **SEC. 1931. SHORT TITLE.**

3 This subtitle may be cited as the “Citizen Legislature
4 Anti-Corruption Reform of Elections Act” or the
5 “CLEAN Elections Act”.

6 **SEC. 1932. REQUIRING OPEN PRIMARIES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—

8 (1) ELECTIONS FOR FEDERAL OFFICE.—Each
9 State shall hold open primaries for elections for Fed-
10 eral office held in each such State.

11 (2) ELECTIONS FOR STATE AND LOCAL OF-
12 FICE.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
13 a State may not use any funds provided by the Fed-
14 eral Government directly for election administration
15 purposes unless such State certifies to the Election

1 Assistance Commission that the State holds open
2 primaries for elections for State and local office.

3 (b) OPEN PRIMARIES DESCRIBED.—For purposes of
4 this section, a State holds open primaries for an election
5 for an office if any individual who is registered to vote
6 in a general election for such office in the State may cast
7 a ballot in any primary election (including a primary elec-
8 tion held for the selection of delegates to a national nomi-
9 nating convention of a political party and a primary elec-
10 tion held for the expression of a preference for the nomina-
11 tion of individuals for election to the office of President)
12 held by any political party to nominate candidates for elec-
13 tion for such office, including a convention or caucus of
14 a political party which has authority to nominate a can-
15 didate.

16 (c) STATE DEFINED.—In this section, the term
17 “State” has the meaning given the term in section 901
18 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21141).

19 (d) RULE OF APPLICABILITY.—Subsection (a) shall
20 apply with respect to elections held after the date of the
21 enactment of this Act.

