

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-

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At the end of subtitle D of title XVI, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 16__ . LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**
2 **GROUND-BASED STRATEGIC DETERRENT.**

3 None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by
4 this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2020
5 for the ground-based strategic deterrent may be obligated
6 or expended until—

7 (1) the Secretary of Defense certifies in writing
8 to the congressional defense committees that the ac-
9 quisition strategy for the ground-based strategic de-
10 terrent—

11 (A) will result in the best value for the
12 United States Government;

13 (B) ensures that the technical capabilities
14 of the defense industrial base are maximized to
15 effectively respond to current and emerging
16 threats;

1 (C) optimizes the use of national expertise
2 and cleared personnel within both the United
3 States Government and industry; and

4 (D) considers the use of a national team
5 similar to other successful strategic programs of
6 the Department of Defense or specific alter-
7 natives to ensure competition and value for the
8 United States Government; and

9 (2) a period of 60 days elapses following the
10 date of such certification.

