

**AMENDMENT TO
RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-2
OFFERED BY MR. FULCHER OF IDAHO**

Page 330, after line 6, add the following:

1 **TITLE IX—RESPECTING**
2 **NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES**

3 **SEC. 901. RESPECTING NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES.**

4 (a) PETITION.—The County Commission in each
5 county in which wilderness or potential wilderness has
6 been designated under this Act may submit to the Sec-
7 retary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture, as
8 appropriate, a written petition any time after the enact-
9 ment of this Act requesting authority to—

10 (1) remove invasive species and weeds within
11 the designated area;

12 (2) conduct necessary treatment activities to re-
13 duce the risk of forest fires;

14 (3) host recreational events that occurred prior
15 to the enactment of this Act; or

16 (4) conduct any activity the Commission deems
17 necessary within the wilderness or potential wilder-
18 ness area to protect life, property, or the general
19 wellbeing of the surrounding community.

1 (b) APPROVAL.—If the Secretary does not deny the
2 petition within 60 days of its receipt, the petition shall
3 be considered approved.

4 (c) REPORT.—If the Secretary denies a petition
5 under subsection (a), the Secretary must transmit a writ-
6 ten denial and explanation to the House Committee on
7 Natural Resources and Senate Committee on Energy and
8 Natural Resources within 10 days of the denial.

