

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT FOR
HR 6395
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN**

At the end of subtitle G of title XII insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . MODIFICATION TO AND HIRING AUTHORITY**
2 **FOR THE GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT CENTER.**

3 (a) **ELIMINATION OF TERMINATION DATE FOR THE**
4 **GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT CENTER.**—Section 1287 of the Na-
5 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (22
6 U.S.C. 2656 note) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (h), by striking the second
8 sentence; and

9 (2) by striking subsection (j).

10 (b) **HIRING AUTHORITY FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT**
11 **CENTER.**—Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
12 the Secretary of State, during the five-year period begin-
13 ning on the date of the enactment of this Act and solely
14 to carry out functions of the Global Engagement Center
15 established by such section, may—

16 (1) appoint employees without regard to the
17 provisions of title 5, United States Code, regarding
18 appointments in the competitive service; and

1 (2) fix the basic compensation of such employ-
2 ees without regard to chapter 51 and subchapter III
3 of chapter 53 of such title regarding classification
4 and General Schedule pay rates.

