AMENDMENT TO
RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118–10
OFFERED BY MR. GARAMENDI OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of subtitle C of title X, add the following new section:

SEC. 10. AUTHORIZATION OF CERTAIN CLAIMS FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH CAUSED BY MEDICAL MALPRACTICE ONBOARD CERTAIN NAVAL VESSELS.

(a) AUTHORIZATION.—Section 2733a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(3), by inserting “or onboard a covered naval vessel of the United States that, at the time of such occurrence, was not engaged in combat operations” after “facility”; and

(2) in subsection (i)—

(A) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively; and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraph:

“(2) COVERED NAVAL VESSEL.—The term ‘covered naval vessel’ means any aircraft carrier, landing
helicopter assault ship, or landing helicopter dock ship.”

(b) APPLICABILITY; FILING PERIOD FOR CERTAIN CLAIMS.—

(1) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply with respect to claims that accrue—

(A) during the period described in paragraph (2)(B); or

(B) on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) FILING PERIOD.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Any claim regarding an act or omission constituting medical malpractice onboard a navel vessel as specified in section 2733a(b)(3) of title 10, United States Code (as amended by subsection (a)) that accrues during the period described in subparagraph (B) and is filed not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act—

(i) shall be deemed to be filed within the time period specified in section 2733a(b)(4) of such title; and
(ii) notwithstanding section 2735 of such title, may be allowed, settled, and paid under section 2733a(a) of such title.

(B) PERIOD DESCRIBED.—The period described in this subparagraph is the period beginning on October 1, 2016, and ending on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act.