

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

Add at the end of subtitle B of title IX the following:

1 **SEC. 9\_\_\_ . MEMBERSHIP OF COMMANDANT OF THE COAST**  
2 **GUARD ON THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF.**

3 (a) MEMBERSHIP ON THE JOINT CHIEFS OF  
4 STAFF.—Section 151(a) of title 10, United States Code,  
5 is amended by adding at the end the following new para-  
6 graph:

7 “(9) The Commandant of the Coast Guard.”.

8 (b) APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN; GRADE AND  
9 RANK.—Section 152 of such title is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (b)(1)(B) by striking “or the  
11 Commandant of the Marine Corps” and inserting  
12 “the Commandant of the Marine Corps, or the Com-  
13 mandant of the Coast Guard”; and

14 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “Navy” and  
15 inserting “Navy or Coast Guard”.

16 (c) VICE CHAIRMAN.—Section 154(f) of such title is  
17 amended by striking “Navy” and inserting “Navy or  
18 Coast Guard”.

1 (d) INCLUSION ON THE JOINT STAFF.—Section  
2 155(a) of such title is amended—

3 (1) in paragraph (2)—

4 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
5 (A), by striking “(other than the Coast  
6 Guard)”;

7 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
8 “and” at the end;

9 (C) in subparagraph (C), by striking the  
10 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

11 (D) by adding at the end the following new  
12 subparagraph:

13 “(D) the Coast Guard.”; and

14 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking “Secretary of  
15 the military department having jurisdiction over that  
16 armed force” and inserting “Secretary concerned”.

17 (e) DUTIES AS MEMBER OF JOINT STAFF.—Section  
18 302 of title 14, United States Code, is amended—

19 (1) by striking “The President may” and in-  
20 serting the following:

21 “(a) The President may”; and

22 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
23 section:

24 “(b)(1) The Commandant of the Coast Guard shall  
25 also perform the duties prescribed for the Commandant

1 as a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff under section  
2 151 of title 10.

3 “(2) To the extent that such action does not impair  
4 the independence of the Commandant in the performance  
5 of the Commandant’s duties as a member of the Joint  
6 Chiefs of Staff, the Commandant shall inform the Sec-  
7 retary of the department in which the Coast Guard is op-  
8 erating regarding military advice rendered by members of  
9 the Joint Chiefs of Staff on matters affecting such depart-  
10 ment.

11 “(3) Subject to the authority, direction, and control  
12 of the Secretary of Defense, the Commandant shall keep  
13 the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard  
14 is operating fully informed of significant military oper-  
15 ations affecting the duties and responsibilities of such Sec-  
16 retary.”.

