

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 4909
OFFERED BY MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS**

At the end of title XXXV add the following:

1 **SEC. 35 ____ . DOMESTIC MARITIME WORKFORCE TRAINING**
2 **AND EDUCATION THROUGH NATIONAL MARI-**
3 **TIME STRATEGY .**

4 Under any national maritime strategy developed by
5 the Secretary of Transportation, the Secretary—

6 (1) may designate public community and tech-
7 nical colleges located in the vicinity of the Gulf of
8 Mexico, the Atlantic Ocean, the Pacific Ocean, the
9 Arctic Ocean, the Bering Sea, the Gulf of Alaska,
10 and the Great Lakes as Centers of Excellence for
11 domestic maritime workforce training and education;
12 and

13 (2) may provide technical assistance and pro-
14 vide funding if available, to—

15 (A) support maritime workforce con-
16 ferences and other appropriate programs; and

17 (B) help enable the Centers of Excellence
18 designated under paragraph (1) to expand their
19 capacity to train the Nation's domestic mari-

1 time workforce, including by admitting more
2 students, training faculty, expanding facilities,
3 creating new maritime career pathways from
4 associate degree to baccalaureate degree pro-
5 grams, and awarding credit for prior learning
6 experience.

