

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

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At the end of subtitle C of title XVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 18__ . ESTABLISHMENT OF UNITED STATES-ISRAEL**
2 **DESALINATION COMMISSION.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Energy, in co-
4 ordination with the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary
5 of the Interior, and the Secretary of State, shall establish
6 a bilateral cooperative commission with Israel to coordi-
7 nate and support the research and development of desali-
8 nation technologies, including coordination with the U.S.
9 Israel Energy Center, Israel-U.S. Binational Industrial
10 Research and Development, and other relevant entities, as
11 determined appropriate by the commission.

12 (b) **MEETINGS.**—Not later than 180 days after the
13 date of the enactment of this Act, the commission shall
14 convene its first meeting and shall meet quarterly there-
15 after.

16 (c) **REPORT.**—Not later than two years after the date
17 on which the Commission first meets, the Commission
18 shall submit to Congress a report on the progress of the

1 commission to coordinate, encourage, and elevate desalina-
2 tion innovation, including the economic and environmental
3 efficiency of the desalination technological process, to cre-
4 ate a sustainable source of fresh water for the United
5 States and Israel and to minimize the risk of conflict
6 based on access to fresh water.

