AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT FOR H.R. 4435

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At the end of title VIII, add the following new section:

1 SEC. 827. INCREASED RELIANCE ON PRIVATE-SECTOR 2 SOURCES FOR COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND 3 SERVICES.

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall
5 endeavor to carry out through a private-sector source any
6 activity to provide a commercial product or service for the
7 Department of Defense if—

- 8 (1) the product or service can be provided ade-9 quately through such a source; and
- 10 (2) an adequate competitive environment exists
 11 to provide for economical performance of the activity
 12 by such a source.
- (b) APPLICABILITY.—(1) Subsection (a) shall not
 apply to any commercial product or service with respect
 to which the Secretary determines that production, manufacture, or provision of that product or service by the Government is necessary for reasons of national security.

(2) A determination under paragraph (1) shall be
 made in accordance with regulations prescribed under sub section (c).

4 (c) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe
5 regulations to carry out this section. Such regulations
6 shall be prescribed in consultation with the Director of the
7 Office of Management and Budget.

8 (d) REPORT.—(1) The Secretary shall identify activi-9 ties of the Department (other than activities specified by 10 the Secretary pursuant to subsection (b)) that are carried 11 out by employees of the Department to provide commer-12 cial-type products or services for the Department.

(2) Not later than April 15, 2015, the Secretary shall
transmit to the congressional defense committees a report
on opportunities for increased use of private-sector sources
to provide commercial products and services for the Department.

18 (3) The report required by paragraph (2) shall in-19 clude the following:

20 (A) A list of activities identified under para21 graph (1) indicating, for each activity, whether the
22 Secretary proposes to convert the performance of
23 that activity to performance by private-sector
24 sources and, if not, the reasons why.

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1 (B) An assessment of the advantages and dis-2 advantages of using private-sector sources, rather 3 than employees of the Department, to provide com-4 mercial products and services for the Department 5 that are not essential to the warfighting mission of 6 the Armed Forces.

7 (C) A specification of all legislative and regu8 latory impediments to converting the performance of
9 activities identified under paragraph (1) to perform10 ance by private-sector sources.

(D) The views of the Secretary on the desirability of terminating the moratorium on Office of
Management and Budget Circular A-76 pursuant to
Public Law 110-181, Public Law 111-8, and Public
Law 112-74.

16 (4) The Secretary shall carry out paragraph (1) in 17 consultation with the Director of the Office of Manage-18 ment and Budget and the Comptroller General of the 19 United States. In carrying out that paragraph, the Sec-20 retary shall consult with, and seek the views of, represent-21 atives of the private sector, including organizations rep-22 resenting small businesses.

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