

AMENDMENT TO
RULES COMMITTEE PRINT FOR H.R. 6395
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Add at the end of subtitle C of title VII the following new section:

1 SEC. 7 ____ . PANDEMIC PREVENTION PLATFORM.

2 (a) DESIGNATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall
3 designate a lead within the Department of Defense to im-
4 plement and advance a program for the development of
5 rapid and cost-effective medical countermeasures to
6 pandemics.

7 (b) OBJECTIVES.—The Secretary shall ensure that
8 the program carries out the following within 60 days of
9 identifying a virus or other pathogen that may cause a
10 pandemic with the goal of reducing this time frame to 28
11 days:

12 (1) Grow the virus or other pathogen.

13 (2) Identify an antibody or biologic product
14 that targets the virus or other pathogen for use in
15 a medical countermeasure.

16 (3) Evolve the antibody or biologic product for
17 increased potency.

18 (4) Clinical grade product manufacturing.

1 (5) Deliver the product to patients to induce
2 protection in fewer than three days following admin-
3 istration.

4 (6) Any other objective the Secretary of De-
5 fense deems necessary.

6 (c) COLLABORATION AND INFORMATION SHARING.—

7 In carrying out this section, the Secretary of Defense—

8 (1) may collaborate with such Secretaries pur-
9 suant to the National Biodefense Strategy under
10 section 1086 of the National Defense Authorization
11 Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (6 U.S.C. 104);

12 (2) shall ensure that information from the pro-
13 gram is shared with such Secretaries pursuant to
14 the National Biodefense Strategy under section
15 1086 of the National Defense Authorization Act for
16 Fiscal Year 2017 (6 U.S.C. 104); and

17 (3) through regular, structured, and close con-
18 sultation with the Secretary of Health and Human
19 Services and the Secretary of Homeland Security,
20 shall ensure that the activities of the Department of
21 Defense in carrying out the program are coordinated
22 with, complement, and do not unnecessarily dupli-
23 cate activities of other Federal agencies pursuant to
24 the National Biodefense Strategy under section

- 1 1086 of the National Defense Authorization Act for
- 2 Fiscal Year 2017 (6 U.S.C. 104).

