

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-**

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**OFFERED BY MR. GOTTHEIMER OF NEW JERSEY**

At the end of subtitle B of title III, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3\_\_\_ . PRIZES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AGENT TO COM-**  
2 **BAT CYANOBACTERIAL HARMFUL ALGAL**  
3 **BLOOMS.**

4 (a) **AUTHORITY.**—The Secretary of Defense, acting  
5 through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for  
6 Sustainment and the Strategic Environmental Research  
7 and Development Program, may carry out a program to  
8 award cash prizes and other types of prizes that the Sec-  
9 retary determines appropriate to recognize outstanding  
10 achievements in the development of an agent to combat  
11 cyanobacterial harmful algal blooms with the potential for  
12 application to the performance of the projects of the Army  
13 Corps of Engineers.

14 (b) **COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS.**—A program  
15 under subsection (a) shall use a competitive process for  
16 the selection of recipients of cash prizes. The process shall  
17 include the widely-advertised solicitation of submissions of  
18 research results, technology developments, and prototypes.

1 (c) LIMITATIONS.—The following limitations shall  
2 apply to a program under subsection (a):

3 (1) No prize competition may result in the  
4 award of a prize with a fair market value of more  
5 than \$5,000,000.

6 (2) No prize competition may result in the  
7 award of more than \$1,000,000 in cash prizes with-  
8 out the approval of the Assistant Secretary of De-  
9 fense for Sustainment.

10 (3) No prize competition may result in the  
11 award of a solely nonmonetary prize with a fair mar-  
12 ket value of more than \$10,000 without the approval  
13 of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for  
14 Sustainment.

15 (d) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER AUTHORITY.—A pro-  
16 gram under subsection (a) may be carried out in conjunc-  
17 tion with or in addition to the exercise of any other author-  
18 ity of the Department of Defense.

19 (e) USE OF PRIZE AUTHORITY.—Use of prize author-  
20 ity under this section shall be considered the use of com-  
21 petitive procedures for the purposes of section 2304 of  
22 title 10, United States Code.

1           (f) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out a pro-  
2 gram under this section shall terminate on October 1,  
3 2024.

