

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-

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Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. 16. CONDITION ON IMPLEMENTATION.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—None of the provisions of this Act,
3 or the amendments made by this Act, may be carried out
4 until—

5 (1) the Comptroller General of the United
6 States, the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-
7 ices, and the Secretary of Transportation have com-
8 pleted each of the evaluations and reports described
9 in subsections (b), (c), and (d); and

10 (2) the Director of the National Institute on
11 Drug Abuse, in consultation with the Director of the
12 National Institutes of Health, certifies that, based
13 on the results of such evaluations and reports, the
14 societal, public safety and public health benefits of
15 enacting this Act outweigh the societal, public safety
16 and public health risks of enacting this Act.

17 (b) SOCIETAL IMPACT EVALUATION.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of
19 the United States shall conduct an evaluation of the

1 societal impact of the legalization by States of adult
2 use of cannabis. Such evaluation shall include—

3 (A) the total number of, and any projected
4 changes resulting from the implementation of
5 provisions and amendments in this Act from
6 previous fiscal years in—

7 (i) the number of adults using mari-
8 juana for recreational purposes and the
9 frequency of such use;

10 (ii) the number of children and mi-
11 nors using marijuana for recreational pur-
12 poses and the frequency of such use

13 (iii) sick days reported to employers;

14 (iv) workers compensations claims;

15 (v) Federal welfare assistance applica-
16 tions;

17 (vi) traffic-related deaths and injuries
18 where the driver is impaired by cannabis;

19 (vii) school suspensions, expulsions,
20 and law enforcement referrals that are
21 cannabis-related;

22 (viii) cannabis-related hospital admis-
23 sions and poison control center calls;

1 (ix) cannabis-related juvenile admit-
2 tances into substance rehabilitation facili-
3 ties and mental health clinics;

4 (x) cannabis plants grown on public
5 lands in contravention to Federal and
6 State laws; and

7 (xi) court filings under a State's orga-
8 nized crime statutes;

9 (B) the rate of, and any projected changes
10 resulting from the implementation of provisions
11 and amendments in this Act from previous fis-
12 cal years in the rate of—

13 (i) arrest related to methamphetamine
14 possession;

15 (ii) hospitalization related to meth-
16 amphetamine and narcotics use;

17 (iii) use of cannabis and its byprod-
18 ucts for medical purposes;

19 (iv) use of cannabis and its byprod-
20 ucts for purposes relating to the health, in-
21 cluding the mental health, of veterans;

22 (v) arrest of individuals driving under
23 the influence or driving while intoxicated
24 by cannabis;

1 (vi) arrest of minors for cannabis-re-
2 lated charges;

3 (vii) violent crime; and

4 (viii) high school drop out;

5 (C) an overview of any anticipated changes
6 to—

7 (i) government spending related to en-
8 forcement actions and court proceedings;
9 and

10 (ii) district-wide and State-wide
11 standardized test scores; and

12 (D) an analysis of tax revenue remitted to
13 States resulting from legal cannabis sales.

14 (2) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the
15 date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller
16 General of the United States shall submit a report
17 on the evaluation under paragraph (1) to the Direc-
18 tor of the National Institute of Drug Abuse, the Di-
19 rector of the National Institutes of Health, to the
20 Committee on Finance, the Committee on Health,
21 Education, Labor and Pensions, and the Committee
22 on the Judiciary of the Senate, and to the Com-
23 mittee on Ways and Means, the Committee on En-
24 ergy and Commerce, and the Committee on the Ju-
25 diciary of the House of Representatives.

1 (c) PUBLIC HEALTH RESEARCH.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and
3 Human Services (referred to in this section as the
4 “Secretary”) shall conduct an evaluation of the pub-
5 lic health impact of legalization of adult use of can-
6 nabis.

7 (2) TOPICS.—The research conducted under
8 paragraph (1) shall include research on—

9 (A) the effects of tetrahydrocannabinol on
10 the human brain;

11 (B) the efficacy of medicinal cannabis as a
12 treatment for specific diseases and conditions;
13 and

14 (C) the impact of the use of cannabis on—

15 (i) pulmonary function;

16 (ii) cardiovascular events;

17 (iii) cancer, including testicular, ovar-
18 ian, transitional cell, and head, neck, and
19 oral cancers;

20 (iv) mania;

21 (v) psychosis;

22 (vi) cognitive effects; and

23 (vii) cannabinoid hyperemesis syn-
24 drome.

1 (3) CONSIDERATIONS.—In conducting the re-
2 search under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall con-
3 sider—

4 (A) varying forms of cannabis, including—

5 (i) full plants and extracts; and

6 (ii) at least 3 different types of can-
7 nabis with significant variation in
8 phenotypic traits and various ratios of
9 tetrahydrocannabinol and cannabidiol in
10 chemical composition; and

11 (B) varying methods of cannabis delivery,
12 including combustible and non-combustible in-
13 halation and ingestion.

14 (4) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the
15 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
16 shall submit a report on the evaluation under para-
17 graph (1) to the Director of the National Institute
18 of Drug Abuse, the Director of the National Insti-
19 tutes of Health, to the Committee on Finance, the
20 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pen-
21 sions, and the Committee on the Judiciary of the
22 Senate, and to the Committee on Ways and Means,
23 the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the
24 Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Rep-
25 representatives.

1 (d) CANNABIS-RELATED HIGHWAY SAFETY RE-
2 SEARCH.—

3 (1) STUDY.—The Secretary of Transportation,
4 acting through the Administrator of the National
5 Highway Traffic Safety Administration and in con-
6 sultation with the Secretary of Health and Human
7 Services, shall collect and, as appropriate, share with
8 the Secretary of Health and Human Services, data
9 relating to cannabis-impaired driving, including—

10 (A) the expected increase in the number
11 and rate of cannabis-impaired drivers following
12 the enactment of this Act;

13 (B) the expected increase in the number
14 and rate of cannabis-related motor vehicle acci-
15 dents following the enactment of this Act; and

16 (C) the expected increase in the number,
17 rate, and severity of injuries as a result of can-
18 nabis-related motor vehicle accidents following
19 the enactment of this Act.

20 (2) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the
21 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
22 Transportation shall submit to the Director of the
23 National Institute of Drug Abuse, the Director of
24 the National Institutes of Health, the Committee on
25 Finance, the Committee on Health, Education,

1 Labor, and Pensions, and the Committee on the Ju-
2 diciary of the Senate, and the Committee on Ways
3 and Means, the Committee on Energy and Com-
4 merce, and the Committee on the Judiciary of the
5 House of Representatives a report on the data col-
6 lected under paragraph (1).

