AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 4435, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. HECK OF WASHINGTON

At the end of title X, add the following:

SEC. 10. MILITARY COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM.

(a) INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM.—

(1) Establishment.—Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary shall establish a Military Community Infrastructure Program under which the Secretary may provide grants to eligible entities for transportation infrastructure improvement projects in military communities.

(2) Application.—To be eligible for a grant under the Program, an eligible entity shall submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such form, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

(3) Eligible Projects.—

(A) In general.—Grants awarded under the Program may be used for transportation infrastructure improvement projects, including—
(i) the construction of roads;
(ii) the construction of mass transit;
(iii) the construction of, or upgrades to, pedestrian access and bicycle access;
(iv) upgrades to public transportation systems.

(B) LOCATION.—To be eligible for a grant under the Program, a project described in subparagraph (A) shall be—

(i) related to improving access to a military installation, as determined by the Secretary; and
(ii) in a location that is—

(I) within or abutting an urbanized area (as designated by the Bureau of the Census); and
(II) designated as a growth community by the Office of Economic Adjustment.

(4) CONSIDERATIONS.—In awarding grants under the Program, the Secretary shall give consider-
(B) the proportion of the problem addressed by the project that is caused by military installation growth since the year 2000;

(C) the number of service members affected by the problem addressed by the project;

(D) the size of the community affected by the problem addressed by the project;

(E) the ability of the relevant eligible entity to execute the project; and

(F) the extent to which the project resolves the transportation problem addressed.

(5) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of the cost of a project carried out using grant amounts made available under the Program may not exceed 80 percent.

(b) TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary shall conduct a traffic impact study for any urbanized area (as designated by the Bureau of the Census) that expects a significant increase in traffic related to a military installation within or abutting the urbanized area.

(2) CONTENTS.—A traffic impact study under paragraph (1) shall determine any transportation
improvements needed because of an increase in the number of military personnel, including study of commute sheds affected by installation-related traffic.

(3) CONSULTATION.—In developing a traffic impact study under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall consult with—

(A) the metropolitan planning organization or regional transportation planning organization with jurisdiction over the urbanized area; and

(B) the commander of the appropriate military installation.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term “eligible entity” means—

(A) a State or political subdivision thereof;

(B) an owner or operator of public transportation;

(C) a local governmental authority (as such term is defined in section 5302 of title 49, United States Code);

(D) a metropolitan planning organization;

or

(E) a regional transportation planning organization.
(2) Metropolitan Planning Organization

and Regional Transportation Planning Organization.—The terms “metropolitan planning organization” and “regional transportation planning organization” have the meanings given those terms in section 134(b) of title 23, United States Code.

(3) Secretary.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Director of the Office of Economic Adjustment.

(4) State.—The term “State” means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, and any territory or possession of the United States.

(d) Authorization of Appropriations.—There is authorized to be appropriated, to carry out this section, $200,000,000 for fiscal year 2015.

(e) Funding.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, to carry out this section during fiscal year 2015—

(1) the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for operation and maintenance, as specified in the corresponding funding table in division D, is hereby increased by $200,000,000, with the amount of the increase allocated to administrative and servicewide activities, as set forth in the table under section 4301, to carry out this section; and
(2) the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for operation and maintenance, Defense-wide, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, is hereby reduced by $200,000,000.