AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT OF H.R. 4310

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

1 SEC. ____. NATIONAL LANGUAGE SERVICE CORPS.

2 (a) CHARTER FOR NATIONAL LANGUAGE SERVICE
3 CORPS.—The David L. Boren National Security Edu4 cation Act of 1991 (50 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.) is amended
5 by adding at the end the following new section:

6 "SEC. 813. NATIONAL LANGUAGE SERVICE CORPS.

7 "(a) Establishment.—

8 "(1) The Secretary of Defense shall establish
9 and maintain within the Department of Defense a
10 National Language Service Corps (in this section re11 ferred to as the 'Corps').

12 "(2) The purpose of the Corps is to provide a 13 pool of personnel with foreign language skills who, 14 as provided in regulations prescribed under this sec-15 tion, agree to provide foreign language services to 16 the Department of Defense or another department 17 or agency of the United States.

18 "(b) NATIONAL SECURITY EDUCATION BOARD.—The19 Secretary shall provide for the National Security Edu-

cation Board to oversee and coordinate the activities of
 the Corps to such extent and in such manner as deter mined by the Secretary under paragraph (9) of section
 803(d).

5 "(c) MEMBERSHIP.—To be eligible for membership in the Corps, a person must be a citizen of the United 6 7 States authorized by law to be employed in the United 8 States, have attained the age of 18 years, and possess 9 such foreign language skills as the Secretary considers ap-10 propriate for membership in the Corps. Members of the Corps may include employees of the Federal Government 11 12 and of State and local governments.

13 "(d) TRAINING.—The Secretary may provide mem14 bers of the Corps such training as the Secretary prescribes
15 for purposes of this section.

16 "(e) SERVICE.—Upon a determination that it is in 17 the national interests of the United States, the Secretary 18 shall call upon members of the Corps to provide foreign 19 language services to the Department of Defense or an-20 other department or agency of the United States.

"(f) FUNDING.—The Secretary may impose fees, in
amounts up to full-cost recovery, for language services and
technical assistance rendered by members of the Corps.
Amounts of fees received under this section shall be credited to the account of the Department providing funds for

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any costs incurred by the Department in connection with
 the Corps. Amounts so credited to such account shall be
 merged with amounts in such account, and shall be avail able to the same extent, and subject to the same conditions
 and limitations, as amounts in such account. Any amounts
 so credited shall remain available until expended.

7 "(g) USERRA APPLICABILITY.—For purposes of the
8 applicability of chapter 43 of title 38, United States Code,
9 to a member of the Corps—

10 "(1) a period of active service in the Corps shall
11 be deemed to be service in the uniformed services;
12 and

13 "(2) the Corps shall be deemed to be a uni-14 formed service.".".

15 (b) NATIONAL SECURITY EDUCATION BOARD MAT-16 TERS.—

17 (1) COMPOSITION.—Subsection (b) of section
18 803 of such Act (50 U.S.C. 1903) is amended—

19 (A) by striking paragraph (5);

20 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (6) and

(7) as paragraphs (8) and (9), respectively; and
(C) by inserting after paragraph (4) the

23 following new paragraphs:

24 "(5) The Secretary of Homeland Security.

25 "(6) The Secretary of Energy.

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1	"(7) The Director of National Intelligence.".
2	(2) FUNCTIONS.—Subsection (d) of such sec-
3	tion is amended by adding at the end the following
4	new paragraph:
5	"(9) To the extent provided by the Secretary of
6	Defense, oversee and coordinate the activities of the
7	National Language Service Corps under section 813,
8	including—
9	"(A) identifying and assessing on a peri-
10	odic basis the needs of the departments and
11	agencies of the Federal Government for per-
12	sonnel with skills in various foreign languages;
13	"(B) establishing plans to address foreign
14	language shortfalls and requirements of the de-
15	partments and agencies of the Federal Govern-
16	ment;
17	"(C) recommending effective ways to in-
18	crease public awareness of the need for foreign
19	languages skills and career paths in the Federal
20	government that use those skills;
21	"(D) coordinating activities with Executive
22	agencies and State and Local governments to
23	develop interagency plans and agreements to
24	address overall foreign language shortfalls and
25	to utilize personnel to address the various types

of crises that warrant foreign language skills;
 and
 "(E) proposing to the Secretary regula-

4 tions to carry out section 813.".

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