AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116–19

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At the end of subtitle A of title X, insert the following:

SEC. 10. TRANSPARENCY OF ACCOUNTING FIRMS USED TO SUPPORT DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUDIT.

Section 1006 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232) is amended—

(1) by striking “For all contract actions” and inserting “(a) IN GENERAL.—For all contract actions”;

(2) by inserting “fully adjudicated” before “disciplinary proceedings”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new subsections:

“(b) TREATMENT OF STATEMENT.—A statement setting for the details of a disciplinary proceeding submitted pursuant to subsection (a), and the information contained in such a statement, shall be—
“(1) treated as confidential to the extent required by the court or agency in which the proceeding has occurred; and

“(2) treated in a manner consistent with any protections or privileges established by any other provision of Federal law.

“(c) DEFINITION OF ASSOCIATED PERSON.—In this section, the term ‘associated persons’ means, with respect to an accounting firm, any of the key personnel of the firm who are involved in the performance of a prime contract entered into by the firm with the Department of Defense.”.