

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-

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At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 17__ . DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950 REQUIRE-**
2 **MENTS RELATING TO CRITICAL MINERALS.**

3 (a) INCLUSION OF CRITICAL MINERALS IN STATE-
4 MENT OF POLICY.—Section 2(b) of the Defense Produc-
5 tion Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4502(b)) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (7), by striking “and” at the
7 end;

8 (2) in paragraph (8), by striking the period at
9 the end and inserting “; and”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following new
11 paragraph:

12 “(9) to reduce dependence on foreign adver-
13 saries and ensure access to materials indispensable
14 for defense technologies, and to secure reliable and
15 resilient supply chains for critical minerals essential
16 to national defense, the United States Government
17 should prioritize investment in domestic extraction,
18 processing, and recycling of critical minerals, includ-

1 ing through strategic efforts relating to workforce
2 development initiatives, partnerships with edu-
3 cational and training institutions, and equitable ac-
4 cess to workforce opportunities for veterans, military
5 families, and underserved communities, while pro-
6 moting sustainable mining and mineral processing
7 and the use of high labor standards.”.

8 (b) INCLUSION OF CRITICAL MINERALS IN CERTAIN
9 DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT AUTHORITIES.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 702 of the Defense
11 Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4552) is amend-
12 ed—

13 (A) in paragraph (12), by inserting “crit-
14 ical minerals,” after “processes,”; and

15 (B) by adding at the end the following new
16 paragraph:

17 “(18) CRITICAL MINERAL.—The term ‘critical
18 mineral’ means—

19 “(A) critical minerals, as defined in section
20 7002(a)(2) of the Energy Act of 2020 (30
21 U.S.C. 1606(a)(2)); and

22 “(B) such other minerals, as determined
23 by the Secretary of Energy.”.

24 (2) APPROPRIATE ACTIONS FOR CRITICAL MIN-
25 ERALS.—Section 107(b)(2)(D) of the Defense Pro-

1 duction Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4517(b)(2)(D)) is
2 amended by striking “or a critical technology item”
3 and inserting “, a critical technology item, or a crit-
4 ical mineral”.

5 (3) AMENDMENT TO REPORTING REQUIRE-
6 MENT.—Section 305(c) of the Defense Production
7 Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4535(c)) is amended—

8 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at
9 the end;

10 (B) by redesignating paragraph (2) as
11 paragraph (3); and

12 (C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
13 following:

14 “(2) the Committees on Armed Services of the
15 House of Representatives and the Senate; and”.

16 (c) LIMITATION ON USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS.—Title
17 III of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C.
18 4531 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
19 lowing new section:

20 **“SEC. 306. LIMITATION ON USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS.**

21 “None of the funds made available to carry out this
22 title may be used to acquire for the United States an own-
23 ership interest, equity stake, or convertible security in a
24 private entity.”.

1 (d) DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT COMMITTEE AS-
2 SESSMENT OF WORKFORCE NEEDS.—Section 722 of the
3 Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4567) is
4 amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as
6 subsections (e) and (f), respectively; and

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
8 lowing new subsection:

9 “(d) ASSESSMENT OF WORKFORCE NEEDS.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days
11 after the date on which the President takes a cov-
12 ered action, the Defense Production Act Committee
13 shall conduct an assessment of the workforce needs
14 of the person to whom the covered action is directed
15 so that such person may carry out the required ac-
16 tivities under such covered action. The Committee
17 shall submit such assessment, in writing, to the fol-
18 lowing:

19 “(A) The President.

20 “(B) The Committees on Armed Services
21 of the House of Representatives and the Sen-
22 ate.

23 “(C) The Committees on Veterans’ Affairs
24 of the House of Representatives and the Sen-
25 ate.

1 “(D) The Committee on Energy and Com-
2 merce of the House of Representatives.

3 “(E) The Committee on Financial Services
4 of the House of Representatives.

5 “(F) The Committee on Natural Resources
6 of the House of Representatives.

7 “(G) The Committee on Energy and Nat-
8 ural Resources of the Senate.

9 “(H) The Committee on Banking, Hous-
10 ing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate.

11 “(2) ELEMENTS.—The assessment required
12 under paragraph (1) shall identify any additional
13 Federal actions required to address such workforce
14 needs, including—

15 “(A) training and certification require-
16 ments;

17 “(B) recruitment, retention, and security
18 clearance needs;

19 “(C) development of career pipelines in
20 partnership with educational, vocational, and
21 technical institutions;

22 “(D) targeted outreach to veterans, mem-
23 ber of the Armed Forces eligible for
24 preseparation counseling under section 1142 of

1 title 10, United States Code, military spouses,
2 and military families; and

3 “(E) any other workforce gap that may
4 impede the ability of the person to whom the
5 covered action is directed to carry out the re-
6 quired activities under such covered action in a
7 timely manner.

8 “(3) COVERED ACTION DEFINED.—In this sub-
9 section, the term ‘covered action’ means—

10 “(A) authorization for a guarantee of a
11 loan under section 301 of this Act;

12 “(B) provision of a loan under section 302
13 of this Act; or

14 “(C) provision for an action under section
15 303 or another section of title III of this Act.”.

