

**AMENDMENT TO**  
**RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119–8**  
**OFFERED BY MR. ISSA OF CALIFORNIA**

At the end of subtitle J of title V, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 5\_. REVIEW OF REQUESTS FOR DECORATIONS NOT**  
2 **TIMELY AWARDED TO MEMBERS OF CERTAIN**  
3 **ARMED FORCES SERVING ON ACTIVE DUTY**  
4 **BECAUSE RELEVANT RECORDS WERE CLASSI-**  
5 **FIED OR OTHERWISE RESTRICTED.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 57 of title 10, United  
7 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1130  
8 the following new section:

9 **“§ 1130a. Consideration of proposals for certain deco-**  
10 **rations not previously submitted in time-**  
11 **ly fashion because relevant records were**  
12 **classified or otherwise restricted**

13 **“(a) WAIVER OF TIME LIMITATIONS.—**Notwith-  
14 standing section 1130 of this title, a decoration (including  
15 any device in lieu of a decoration), authorized by law or  
16 under the regulations of the Department of Defense or  
17 the military department concerned, may be awarded, with-

1 out regard to any time limitation imposed by law or regu-  
2 lation for a recommendation for such award—

3 “(1) to any person for service—

4 “(A) while on active duty in the Army,  
5 Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space  
6 Force;

7 “(B) during the period beginning on Janu-  
8 ary 1, 1940; and

9 “(C) the records of which were classified,  
10 withheld from the public record due to sensi-  
11 tivity, or redacted for national security pur-  
12 poses; and

13 “(2) based on a request for consideration of  
14 such award received by the Secretary of a military  
15 department.

16 “(b) REVIEW OF REQUESTS.—In carrying out this  
17 section, the Secretary of a military department—

18 “(1) shall—

19 “(A) begin a review of a request under  
20 subsection (a)(2) not later than 30 days after  
21 the Secretary receives such request; and

22 “(B) complete such a review not later than  
23 one year after the date of such receipt; and

1           “(2) may use the process under subsections (b)  
2           and (c) of section 1130 of this title to carry out such  
3           a review.

4           “(c) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—(1) The failure of  
5           the Secretary of a military department to complete the re-  
6           view of a request under subsection (a)(2) within the time  
7           limitations under subsection (b) shall not be construed to  
8           limit the authority to award a decoration under this sec-  
9           tion.

10          “(2) In the case of a decoration the President may  
11          award, the recommendation of the Secretary of the mili-  
12          tary department concerned to not award such decoration  
13          shall not be construed to prohibit the President from  
14          awarding such decoration.

15          “(d) REPORTS.—(1)(A) Not later than 30 days after  
16          completing the review of a request under subsection (b),  
17          the Secretary of a military department shall submit to the  
18          Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House  
19          of Representatives a report regarding such review.

20          “(B) In the case of a review of a request for a decora-  
21          tion the President may award, the Secretary of the mili-  
22          tary department concerned shall, subject to subparagraph  
23          (C), also submit such report to the President.

1 “(C) In the case of a review of a request for a Medal  
2 of Honor, the Secretary of Defense shall submit the report  
3 under this paragraph.

4 “(2) Such a report shall include, with respect to the  
5 request reviewed, the following elements:

6 “(A) A summary of the request.

7 “(B) The findings of the review.

8 “(C) The final action or recommendation of the  
9 submitting Secretary regarding such request.

10 “(D) Any recommendation of the submitting  
11 Secretary to improve award procedures with respect  
12 to military intelligence personnel.”.

13 (b) OFFSET FROM DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM.—  
14 Of the unobligated balances of the amount made available  
15 under section 20001(a)(4) of Public Law 119–21 (139  
16 Stat. 112), \$3,000,000 are rescinded.

