

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

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At the end of title VIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 18 ____ . INDEPENDENT STUDIES REGARDING POTEN-**
2 **TIAL COST SAVINGS WITH RESPECT TO THE**
3 **NUCLEAR SECURITY ENTERPRISE AND**
4 **FORCE STRUCTURE.**

5 (a) COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT.—

6 (1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than December
7 1, 2023, the Comptroller General of the United
8 States shall submit to the congressional defense
9 committees a report containing cost analyses with
10 respect to each of the following:

11 (A) Options for reducing the nuclear secu-
12 rity enterprise (as defined by section 4002 of
13 the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C.
14 2501)).

15 (B) Options for reductions in service con-
16 tracts.

17 (C) Options for rebalancing force struc-
18 ture, including reductions in special operations
19 forces, the ancillary effects of such options, and

1 the impacts of changing the force mix between
2 active and reserve components.

3 (D) Options for reducing or realigning
4 overseas military presence.

5 (E) Options for the use of pre-award au-
6 dits to negotiate better prices for weapon sys-
7 tems and services.

8 (F) Options for replacing some military
9 personnel with civilian employees.

10 (2) FORM.—The report under paragraph (1)
11 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may
12 contain a classified annex with respect to the mat-
13 ters specified in subparagraphs (A) and (C) of such
14 paragraph.

15 (b) FFRDC STUDIES.—

16 (1) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense
17 shall seek to enter into agreements with federally
18 funded research and development centers to conduct
19 the following studies:

20 (A) A study of the cost savings resulting
21 from changes in force structure, active and re-
22 serve component balance, basing, and other im-
23 pacts resulting from potential challenges to
24 foundational planning assumptions.

1 (B) A study of the cost savings resulting
2 from the adoption of alternatives to the current
3 nuclear deterrence posture of the United States.

4 (C) A study of the cost savings of alter-
5 natives to current force structures.

6 (2) **DETAIL REQUIRED.**—The Secretary shall
7 ensure that each study under paragraph (1) has a
8 level of detail sufficient to allow the Director of the
9 Congressional Budget Office to analyze the costs de-
10 scribed in such studies.

11 (3) **SUBMISSION.**—Not later than December 1,
12 2023, the Secretary shall submit to the congres-
13 sional defense committees each study under para-
14 graph (1).

15 (4) **FORM.**—The studies under paragraph (1),
16 and the report under paragraph (3), shall be sub-
17 mitted in unclassified form, but may contain a clas-
18 sified annex.

19 (c) **INDEPENDENT STUDY.**—

20 (1) **REQUIREMENT.**—The Secretary shall seek
21 to enter into an agreement with an appropriate non-
22 partisan nongovernmental entity to conduct a study
23 on possible alternatives to the current defense and
24 deterrence posture of the United States, including
25 challenges to foundational assumptions, and the im-

1 pact of such postures on planning assumptions and
2 requirements, basing, and force structure require-
3 ments.

4 (2) SUBMISSION.—Not later than December 1,
5 2023, the Secretary shall submit to the congres-
6 sional defense committees the study under para-
7 graph (1).

