

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-

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At the end of title LX, add the following:

1 **SEC. 6013. NATIONAL BIODEFENSE SCIENCE AND TECH-**
2 **NOLOGY STRATEGY.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and
5 Human Services, in coordination with the Secretary of Ag-
6 riculture, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of
7 Homeland Security, shall develop an annex to the National
8 Biodefense Strategy under section 1086 of the National
9 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (6.
10 U.S.C. 104) for a national biodefense science and tech-
11 nology strategy and implementation plan.

12 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—The annex required by sub-
13 section (a) shall—

14 (1) include a mission, goals, and objectives for
15 public and private sector development, procurement,
16 acquisition, and deployment of innovative tech-
17 nologies to address and eliminate biological threats;

1 (2) be informed by an evaluation of science and
2 technology successes and failures in addressing the
3 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID–19) pandemic;

4 (3) address coordination of Federal efforts;

5 (4) address contributions from academia, indus-
6 try, and nongovernmental organizations; and

7 (5) be accompanied by an implementation plan
8 that clearly defines Federal department and agency
9 roles and responsibilities, and includes timeframes
10 for execution.

11 (c) CLASSIFIED APPENDIX.—The annex required by
12 subsection (a) may include a classified appendix.

13 (d) SUBMISSION.—Upon completion of the annex re-
14 quired by subsection (a), the Secretary of Health and
15 Human Services shall submit the annex to—

16 (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the
17 Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Com-
18 mittee on Agriculture, the Committee on Homeland
19 Security, the Committee on Science, Space, and
20 Technology, and the Committee on Appropriations
21 of the House of Representatives; and

22 (2) the Committee on Armed Services, the
23 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pen-
24 sions, the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and
25 Forestry, the Committee on Homeland Security and

- 1 Governmental Affairs, the Committee on Commerce,
- 2 Science, and Transportation, and the Committee on
- 3 Appropriations of the Senate.

