

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-**

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**OFFERED BY MR. JOYCE OF OHIO**

At the appropriate place in subtitle C of title VIII,  
insert the following:

1 **SEC. 8\_\_\_ . SENSE OF CONGRESS RELATING TO RUBBER**  
2 **SUPPLY.**

3 It is the sense of Congress that the Department of  
4 Defense should take all appropriate action to lessen our  
5 military's dependence on adversarial nations for the pro-  
6 curement of strategic and critical materials, and that one  
7 such material in short supply according to the most recent  
8 report from Defense Logistics Agency Strategic Material  
9 is natural rubber, undermining our national security and  
10 jeopardizing the military's ability to rely on a stable source  
11 of natural rubber for tire manufacturing and production  
12 of other goods. Accordingly, the Secretary is directed to  
13 take all appropriate action, pursuant with the authority  
14 provided by the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Pil-  
15 ing Act (50 U.S.C. 98a et seq.), to engage in activities  
16 that may include stockpiling, but shall also include re-

- 1 search and development aspects for increasing the domes-
- 2 tic supply of natural rubber.

