

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-

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OFFERED BY MS. KELLY OF ILLINOIS

At the end of title XI, add the following:

1 **SEC. 1113. ACTING SECRETARY OF DEFENSE APPEARANCES**

2 **BEFORE CONGRESS.**

3 (a) INITIAL APPEARANCE.—Not later than 60 days
4 after the date that a vacancy occurs with respect to the
5 position of Secretary of Defense, the Acting Secretary of
6 Defense shall appear before the Armed Services Com-
7 mittee of the House of Representatives.

8 (b) SUBSEQUENT APPEARANCES.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Forty five days following the
10 first appearance under subsection (a), and every 45
11 days thereafter until an individual is confirmed by
12 the Senate as Secretary of Defense, the Acting Sec-
13 retary shall testify, on an alternating basis, before
14 the Armed Services Committee of the House and the
15 Senate.

16 (2) WAIVER.—The chair of either such Com-
17 mittee may waive the requirement of paragraph (1).

