

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 116–19

OFFERED BY Mr. Khanna of California

At the end of subtitle C of title XII, add the following:

1 **SEC. . PROHIBITION OF UNAUTHORIZED MILITARY**
2 **FORCE IN OR AGAINST IRAN.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

4 (1) The acquisition by the Government of Iran
5 of a nuclear weapon would pose a grave threat to
6 international peace and stability and the national se-
7 curity of the United States and United States allies,
8 including Israel.

9 (2) The Government of Iran is a leading state
10 sponsor of terrorism, continues to materially support
11 the regime of Bashar al-Assad, and is responsible
12 for ongoing gross violations of the human rights of
13 the people of Iran.

14 (3) Article I of the United States Constitution
15 requires the President to obtain authorization from
16 Congress before engaging in war with Iran.

17 (b) CLARIFICATION OF CURRENT LAW.—Nothing in
18 the Authorization for Use of Military Force (Public Law
19 107–40; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note), the Authorization for Use

1 of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Public
2 Law 107–243; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note), or any other provi-
3 sion of law enacted before the date of the enactment of
4 this Act may be construed to provide authorization for the
5 use of military force against Iran.

6 (c) PROHIBITION OF UNAUTHORIZED MILITARY
7 FORCE IN OR AGAINST IRAN.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
9 graph (1), no Federal funds may be used for any
10 use of military force in or against Iran unless Con-
11 gress has—

12 (A) declared war; or

13 (B) enacted specific statutory authoriza-
14 tion for such use of military force after the date
15 of the enactment of this Act that meets the re-
16 quirements of the War Powers Resolution (50
17 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.).

18 (2) EXCEPTION.—The prohibition under para-
19 graph (1) shall not apply to a use of military force
20 that is consistent with section (2)(c) of the War
21 Powers Resolution.

22 (d) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—(1) Nothing in this
23 section may be construed to prevent the President from
24 using necessary and appropriate force to defend United
25 States allies and partners if Congress enacts specific stat-

1 utory authorization for such use of force consistent with
2 the requirements of the War Powers Resolution (50
3 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.).

4 (2) Nothing in this Act may be construed to relieve
5 the executive branch of restrictions on the use of force,
6 reporting, or consultation requirements set forth in the
7 War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.).

8 (3) Nothing in this Act may be construed to authorize
9 the use of military force.

