AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 4435
OFFERED BY MR. LAMBOURNE OF COLORADO

At the end of subtitle C of title V, add the following new section:

SEC. 5. REVISED REGULATIONS FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.

(a) Revision of Department of Defense Instruction 1300.17.—

(1) Revision required.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue a revised instruction to replace Department of Defense Instruction 1300.17.

(2) Purpose.—The revision of Department of Defense Instruction 1300.17 shall address the Congressional intent and content of section 533 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (Public Law 112–239; 126 Stat. 1727; 10 U.S.C. prec. 1030 note), as amended by section 532 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (Public Law 113–66; 127 Stat. 759), to ensure that verbal and written expressions of an in-
individual’s religious beliefs are protected by the Department of Defense as an essential part of a the free exercise of religion by a member of the Armed Forces.

(b) REVISION OF AIR FORCE INSTRUCTION 1-1.—

(1) REVISION REQUIRED.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall issue a revised instruction to replace Air Force Instruction 1-1.

(2) PURPOSE.—The revision of Air Force Instruction 1-1 shall reflect the protections for religious expressions contained in—


(B) the revised Department of Defense instruction referenced in subsection (a) if revision of that instruction is completed before the revision of Air Force Instruction 1-1.

(3) TERMINATION.—If, before the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air
Force issues a revised instruction to replace Air Force Instruction 1-1 and such revision is consistent with the purpose specified in paragraph (2), the requirement imposed by paragraph (1) shall no longer apply.