

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
OF H.R. 7
OFFERED BY MR. LANDRY OF LOUISIANA**

At the end of title X, add the following:

1 SEC. 10003. ASSESSMENT OF DREDGING NEEDS.

2 Section 210 of the Water Resources Development Act
3 of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2238) is amended by adding at the
4 end the following:

5 “(c) ASSESSMENT OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE NEEDS.—
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7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
8 after the date of enactment of this subsection, and
9 biennially thereafter, the Secretary shall assess the
10 total operation and maintenance needs of the har-
11 bors referred to in subsection (a)(2), including har-
12 bors used—

13 “(A) for commercial navigation;

14 “(B) for commercial fishing;

15 “(C) for subsistence, including harbors uti-
16 lized by Indian tribes (as defined in section 4
17 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education
18 Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b)) for subsist-
19 ence and ceremonial purposes;

1 “(D) as harbors of refuge;

2 “(E) for transportation of persons;

3 “(F) in relation to domestic energy produc-
4 tion, including harbors related to the fabrica-
5 tion, servicing, or supply of domestic offshore
6 energy production facilities;

7 “(G) by the Secretary of the department in
8 which the Coast Guard is operating;

9 “(H) for recreation purposes; and

10 “(I) for any other authorized purpose.

11 “(2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than
12 90 days after the date of enactment of this para-
13 graph, and in conjunction with the transmittal by
14 the President of the budget of the United States for
15 every odd-numbered fiscal year thereafter, the Sec-
16 retary shall submit to the Committee on Transpor-
17 tation and Infrastructure of the House of Represent-
18 atives and the Committee on Environment and Pub-
19 lic Works of the Senate a report that, with respect
20 to commercial navigation projects for the harbors re-
21 ferred to in subsection (a)(2)—

22 “(A) identifies the operation and mainte-
23 nance costs associated with the projects, includ-
24 ing those costs required to achieve and main-

1 tain the authorized length, width, and depth for
2 the projects, on a project-by-project basis;

3 “(B) identifies the amount of funding re-
4 quested in the President’s budget for the oper-
5 ation and maintenance costs associated with the
6 projects, on a project-by-project basis;

7 “(C) identifies the unmet operation and
8 maintenance needs associated with the projects,
9 on a project-by-project basis; and

10 “(D) identifies the harbors for which the
11 President will allocate funding over next 5 fiscal
12 years for operation and maintenance activities,
13 on a project-by-project basis, including the
14 amounts to be allocated for such purposes.”.

15 **SEC. 10003. ALLOCATION AND EXPENDITURES FOR LOCAL**
16 **HARBOR PROJECTS.**

17 Section 210 of the Water Resources Development Act
18 of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2238) is further amended by adding
19 at the end the following:

20 “(d) EXPENDITURES FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF HARBOR PROJECTS.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—To the maximum extent
23 practicable, the Secretary shall make expenditures to
24 pay for operation and maintenance costs of the har-
25 bors referred to in subsection (a)(2), including ex-

1 penditures of funds appropriated from the Harbor
2 Maintenance Trust Fund, by—

3 “(A) utilizing the information obtained in
4 the assessment conducted under subsection (c);

5 “(B) considering the national and regional
6 significance of harbor operation and mainte-
7 nance; and

8 “(C) not making allocation decisions based
9 solely on the tonnage transiting through a har-
10 bor.

11 “(2) EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES.—Nothing in
12 this subsection shall prohibit the Secretary from
13 making an expenditure to pay for the operation and
14 maintenance costs of a specific harbor, including the
15 transfer of funding from the operation and mainte-
16 nance of a separate project, if—

17 “(A) the Secretary determines that such
18 action is necessary to address the navigation
19 needs of a harbor where safe navigation has
20 been severely restricted due to an unforeseen
21 event; and

22 “(B) the Secretary provides advance notice
23 and information on the need for such a deter-
24 mination to the Committee on Transportation
25 and Infrastructure and the Committee on Ap-

1 appropriations of the House of Representatives
2 and the Committee on Environment and Public
3 Works and the Committee on Appropriations of
4 the Senate.”.

