

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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Add at the end of title LII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 52___ . ENHANCED ROLE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY**
2 **OF DEFENSE FOR RESEARCH AND ENGINEER-**
3 **ING ON THE JOINT REQUIREMENTS OVER-**
4 **SIGHT COUNCIL.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 181 of title 10, United
6 States Code, is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (b)—

8 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
9 by inserting “the Secretary of Defense and” be-
10 fore “the Chairman”;

11 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (2)
12 through (6) as paragraphs (3) through (7), re-
13 spectively;

14 (C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
15 following new paragraph:

16 “(2) increasing awareness of global technology
17 trends, threats, and adversary capabilities to address
18 gaps in joint military capabilities and validate tech-

1 nical feasibility of requirements developed by the
2 military departments;”;

3 (D) in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (4)
4 (as so redesignated), by inserting “the Sec-
5 retary of Defense and” before “the Chairman”;
6 and

7 (E) in paragraph (5) (as so redesignated),
8 by inserting “the Secretary of Defense and” be-
9 fore “the Chairman”;
10 (2) in subsection (c)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1)—

12 (i) by redesignating subparagraphs
13 (B) through (F) as subparagraphs (C)
14 through (G), respectively; and

15 (ii) by inserting after subparagraph
16 (A) the following new subparagraph:

17 “(B) The Under Secretary of Defense for
18 Research and Engineering, who shall serve as
19 the Chief Science Advisor to the Council.”; and

20 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “sub-
21 paragraphs (B), (C), (D), and (E)” and insert-
22 ing “subparagraphs (C), (D), (E), and (F)”;
23 and

24 (3) in subsection (d)—

25 (A) by striking subparagraph (D); and

1 (B) by redesignating subparagraphs (E)
2 through (H) as subparagraphs (D) through
3 (G), respectively.

4 (b) RECOMMENDATION ON EXTENSION.—Not later
5 than March 1, 2023, the Secretary of Defense, in con-
6 sultation with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff,
7 the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engi-
8 neering, and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisi-
9 tion and Sustainment, shall submit to the congressional
10 defense committees a recommendation regarding whether
11 the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engi-
12 neering should be designated as the co-chair of the Joint
13 Requirements Oversight Council. The report should in-
14 clude the reasons behind the recommendation and a de-
15 scription of the additional resources and staff that would
16 be required to support such designation. The report may
17 also include input from each member or advisor of the
18 Joint Requirements Oversight Council.

