

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-

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At the end of subtitle A of title VII, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 7___ . EDUCATION ON NEWBORN SCREENING OPTIONS**
2 **FOR TRICARE BENEFICIARIES.**

3 (a) **EDUCATION REQUIREMENT.**—The Secretary of
4 Defense shall ensure that covered beneficiaries receiving
5 prenatal care through the military health system are pro-
6 vided educational information regarding newborn screen-
7 ing.

8 (b) **CONTENTS.**—The educational information pro-
9 vided under subsection (a) shall include—

10 (1) a description of newborn screening and the
11 purpose of such screening in identifying certain con-
12 genital and genetic conditions in infants;

13 (2) information regarding conditions rec-
14 ommended by the Secretary of Health and Human
15 Services for newborn screening in infants;

16 (3) notice that newborn screening panels may
17 vary depending on the State or location in which an
18 infant is born; and

1 (4) information describing options for dis-
2 cussing and obtaining supplemental newborn screen-
3 ing for conditions recommended by the Secretary of
4 Health and Human Services for newborn screening
5 in infants that may not be included in the applicable
6 State newborn screening panel.

7 (c) PROVISION OF INFORMATION.—The Secretary
8 shall ensure that the educational information described in
9 subsection (a) is made available to covered beneficiaries
10 receiving prenatal care through—

11 (1) military medical treatment facilities; and

12 (2) TRICARE network providers furnishing
13 prenatal care.

14 (d) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date
15 of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense
16 shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the
17 House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the
18 feasibility of ensuring that newborns of covered bene-
19 ficiaries receive screening for all conditions recommended
20 by the Secretary of Health and Human Services for new-
21 born screening in infants, including conditions not in-
22 cluded in the applicable State newborn screening panel.
23 Such report shall include—

1 (1) an assessment of the feasibility of providing
2 such screening through military medical treatment
3 facilities and private sector care under TRICARE;

4 (2) an estimate of the costs associated with pro-
5 viding such screening;

6 (3) an assessment of the administrative and
7 logistical requirements associated with identifying
8 gaps in State newborn screening panels and pro-
9 viding supplemental screening; and

10 (4) options for implementing such screening, in-
11 cluding through reimbursement, contracting, or
12 other mechanisms.

13 (e) COVERED BENEFICIARY DEFINED.—In this sec-
14 tion, the term “covered beneficiary” has the meaning
15 given the term in section 1072 of title 10, United States
16 Code.

