

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
OF H.R. 4310
OFFERED BY MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT**

At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 704. CERTAIN TREATMENT OF AUTISM UNDER**
2 **TRICARE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1077 of title 10, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

6 “(g)(1) In providing health care under subsection (a)
7 to a covered beneficiary described in paragraph (3)(A), the
8 treatment of autism spectrum disorders shall include behavioral health treatment, including applied behavior analysis, when prescribed by a physician.

11 “(2) In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary
12 shall ensure that—

13 “(A) except as provided by subparagraph (B),
14 a person who is authorized to provide behavioral
15 health treatment is licensed or certified by a State
16 or accredited national certification board; and

17 “(B) if applied behavior analysis or other behavioral health treatment is provided by an employee
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1 or contractor of a person described in subparagraph
2 (A), the employee or contractor shall meet minimum
3 qualifications, training, and supervision require-
4 ments as set forth by the Secretary.

5 “(3)(A) A covered beneficiary described in this sub-
6 paragraph is a covered beneficiary who is a beneficiary by
7 virtue of—

8 “(i) service in the armed forces (not including
9 the Coast Guard); or

10 “(ii) being a dependent of a member of the
11 armed forces (not including the Coast Guard).

12 “(B) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed
13 as limiting or otherwise affecting the benefits otherwise
14 provided under this chapter to a covered beneficiary who
15 is a beneficiary by virtue of—

16 “(i) service in the Coast Guard, the Commis-
17 sioned Corp of the National Oceanic and Atmos-
18 pheric Administration, or the Commissioned Corp of
19 the Public Health Service; or

20 “(ii) being a dependent of a member of a serv-
21 ice described in clause (i).

22 “(C) This subsection shall not apply to a medicare-
23 eligible beneficiary (as defined in section 1111(b) of this
24 title).

1 “(D) Except as provided in subparagraph (C), noth-
2 ing in this subsection shall be construed as limiting or oth-
3 erwise affecting the benefits provided to a medicare-eli-
4 ble beneficiary under—

5 “(i) this chapter;

6 “(ii) part A of title XVIII of the Social Security
7 Act (42 U.S.C. 1395c et seq.); or

8 “(iii) any other law.”.

9 (b) FUNDING.—

10 (1) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts
11 set forth in the funding tables in division D, the
12 amount authorized to be appropriated in section
13 1406 for the Defense Health Program, as specified
14 in the corresponding funding table in section 4501,
15 for Private Sector Care is hereby increased by
16 \$30,000,000.

17 (2) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set
18 forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount
19 authorized to be appropriated in section 4201 for
20 Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army,
21 as specified in the corresponding funding table in di-
22 vision D, is hereby reduced by \$30,000,000, to be
23 derived as follows:

24 (A) \$21,000,000 from the Aerostat Joint
25 Project Office.

1 (B) \$9,000,000 from Endurance UAVs.

