

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT**

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After subtitle G of title VIII, insert the following  
(and redesignate subtitle H as subtitle I):

1 **Subtitle H—Travel on Private Air-**  
2 **craft by Senior Political Ap-**  
3 **pointees**

4 **SECTION 8081. SHORT TITLE.**

5 This subtitle may be cited as the “Stop Waste And  
6 Misuse by Presidential Flyers Landing Yet Evading Rules  
7 and Standards” or the “SWAMP FLYERS”.

8 **SEC. 8082. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR TRAVEL**  
9 **ON PRIVATE AIRCRAFT.**

10 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Beginning on the date of enact-  
11 ment of this subtitle, no Federal funds appropriated or  
12 otherwise made available in any fiscal year may be used  
13 to pay the travel expenses of any senior political appointee  
14 for travel on official business on a non-commercial, pri-  
15 vate, or chartered flight.

16 (b) **EXCEPTIONS.**—The limitation in subsection (a)  
17 shall not apply—

1 (1) if no commercial flight was available for the  
2 travel in question, consistent with subsection (c); or

3 (2) to any travel on aircraft owned or leased by  
4 the Government.

5 (c) CERTIFICATION.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any senior political ap-  
7 pointee who travels on a non-commercial, private, or  
8 chartered flight under the exception provided in sub-  
9 section (b)(1) shall, not later than 30 days after the  
10 date of such travel, submit a written statement to  
11 Congress certifying that no commercial flight was  
12 available.

13 (2) PENALTY.—Any statement submitted under  
14 paragraph (1) shall be considered a statement for  
15 purposes of applying section 1001 of title 18, United  
16 States Code.

17 (d) DEFINITION OF SENIOR POLITICAL AP-  
18 POUNTEE.—In this subtitle, the term “senior political ap-  
19 pointee” means any individual occupying—

20 (1) a position listed under the Executive Sched-  
21 ule (subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 5, United  
22 States Code);

23 (2) a Senior Executive Service position that is  
24 not a career appointee as defined under section  
25 3132(a)(4) of such title; or

1           (3) a position of a confidential or policy-deter-  
2           mining character under schedule C of subpart C of  
3           part 213 of title 5, Code of Federal Regulations.

