AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 1735
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Page 858, after line 21, insert the following new section:

1 SEC. 3123. IMPROVEMENTS TO ADMINISTRATION OF NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION.

(a) DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR NUCLEAR SECURITY.—

   (1) DOE ORGANIZATION ACT.—The Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7132(c)) is amended—

      (A) in subsection (c) of section 202—

         (i) in paragraph (1)—

            (I) by striking “an Under Secretary” and inserting “a Deputy Secretary”;

            (II) by striking “level III of the Executive Schedule under section 5314” and inserting “level II of the Executive Schedule under section 5313”; and
(III) by adding at the end the following new sentence: “The term of the Deputy Secretary shall be six years.”;

(ii) in paragraph (3), by striking the third sentence and inserting the following new sentence: “The Deputy Secretary shall report directly to the Secretary, without delegation, on matters regarding the National Nuclear Security Administration, except that the Deputy Secretary may provide directly to the President information regarding such matters.”;

(iii) by striking “The Under Secretary” each place it appears and inserting “The Deputy Secretary”; and

(iv) in paragraph (3), by striking “the Under Secretary” and inserting “the Deputy Secretary”;

(B) in subsection (a) of such section 202—

(i) by striking “There shall” and inserting “In addition to the Deputy Secretary under subsection (e), there shall”;

and
(ii) by striking the second and third
sentences and inserting the following: “In
an order designated by the Secretary, the
Deputy Secretaries shall act for and exer-
cise the functions of the Secretary during
the absence or disability of the Secretary
or in the event the office of Secretary be-
comes vacant. The Secretary shall des-
ignate the order in which the Under Sec-
retary and other officials shall act for and
perform the functions of the Secretary dur-
ing the absence or disability of both the
Secretary and the Deputy Secretaries or in
the event of vacancies in each of those off-
ices.”;

(C) by striking “Under Secretary for Nu-
clear Security” each place it appears and in-
serting “Deputy Secretary for Nuclear Secu-
ritv”; and

(D) in section 214(b)(1) by striking “the
Deputy Secretary of Energy, who shall chair
the Committee” and inserting “the Deputy Sec-
retary of Energy for Nuclear Security, who
shall chair the Committee, the Deputy Sec-
retary for Science”.

(2) NNSA ACT.—Section 3212(a)(2) of the National Nuclear Security Administration Act (50 U.S.C. 2402(a)(2)) is amended by striking “Under Secretary” and inserting “Deputy Secretary”.

(b) ROLE OF DEPUTY SECRETARY.—Section 213(a) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7144) is amended by adding at the end the following new sentences: “The Deputy Secretary for Nuclear Security shall advise the Secretary on all policies of the Department that affect the nuclear security mission of the Department. The Deputy Secretary shall be responsible for formulating and assessing options on such policies to so advise the Secretary.”.