Amendment to Rules Committee Print 115– 70 Offered by Mr. Ben Ray Luján of New Mexico

At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following new section:

1 SEC. 2____. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ENTREPRENEURIAL 2 FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may es-4 tablish a multiyear entrepreneurial fellowship program 5 which places fellows in National Laboratories and other 6 federally funded research institutions with access to re-7 search facilities, lab expertise, and entrepreneurial 8 mentorship.

9 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the program,
10 the Secretary may—

- (1) develop materials for the recruitment ofparticipants in the program, including veterans;
- 13 (2) ensure that participants in the program14 have access to laboratories;
- (3) ensure a participant in the program who isgiven a fellowship under the program is offered an

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1	opportunity to earn a living stipend and health in-
2	surance for the duration of the fellowship;
3	(4) ensure a participant in the program who is
4	given a fellowship under the program has opportuni-
5	ties for mentorship, education, and networking and
6	exposure to leaders from academia, industry, govern-
7	ment, and finance who may serve as advisors to or
8	partners of the participant;
9	(5) provide funds for collaborative technical re-
10	search within the national lab;
11	(6) provide for exchanges and partnerships with
12	Department of Defense science and technology ac-
13	tivities; and
14	(7) conduct activities consistent with the Proof
15	of Concept Commercialization Pilot Program estab-
16	lished under section 1603 of the National Defense
17	Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (Public Law
18	113–66; 10 U.S.C. 2359 note).
19	(c) Administration.—The Secretary may carry out
20	the administration of the program through organiza-
21	tions—
22	(1) described in section $501(c)(3)$ of the Inter-
23	nal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from taxation
24	under section 501(a) of that Code; and

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(2) specific to the national laboratory or feder ally funded research institution participating in the
 program.

4 (d) METRICS.—The Secretary may develop and main-5 tain metrics to assess the entrepreneurial fellowship op-6 portunities under the program and to ensure standards 7 for fellowships under the program are consistent and being 8 met.

9 (e) INTERAGENCY COORDINATION .— The Secretary 10 of Defense may coordinate with the Secretary of Energy 11 regarding opportunities to partner with existing Depart-12 ment of Energy operated lab embedded entrepreneurship 13 programs at national laboratories and the establishment 14 of new lab embedded entrepreneurship programs at De-15 partment of Energy national laboratories.

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