

AMENDMENT TO
RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-33
OFFERED BY MR. LYNCH OF MASSACHUSETTS

At the end of subtitle D of title XVIII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 18__ . REPORT ON BARRIERS FOR SMALL AND ME-**
2 **DIUM-SIZED BUSINESSES COMPETING FOR**
3 **CLASSIFIED CONTRACTS.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days after the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
6 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-
7 port on barriers to entry for small and medium-sized busi-
8 nesses seeking to compete for classified contracts with the
9 Department of Defense.

10 (b) **MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.**—Such report shall
11 include the following:

12 (1) An examination of any barriers that impede
13 the ability of such businesses to obtain and maintain
14 the security clearances and access to networks nec-
15 essary to compete for classified contracts that re-
16 quire such clearances.

17 (2) An examination of any other barriers that
18 impede the ability of such businesses that are quali-

1 fied and have subject-matter expertise to compete
2 for classified contracts with the Department of De-
3 fense.

4 (3) Recommendations for how to lower such
5 barriers to entry and better allow such businesses to
6 compete for such contracts.

