

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-

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OFFERED BY MS. MACE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Page 1348, insert after line 23 the following (and conform the table of contents accordingly):

1 **SEC. 5806. NONDISCRIMINATION IN FEDERAL HIRING FOR**
2 **VETERAN MEDICAL CANNABIS USERS; AU-**
3 **THORIZED PROVISION OF INFORMATION ON**
4 **STATE-APPROVED MARIJUANA PROGRAMS**
5 **TO VETERANS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—It shall be unlawful for a “vet-
7 eran”, as defined in title 38, section 101(2) of the United
8 States Code, to be excluded from employment in the Fed-
9 eral Government solely because the veteran consumes or
10 has consumed cannabis, as defined in the Controlled Sub-
11 stances Act, or anywhere in the United States Code. For
12 the purposes determining if a person is a veteran under
13 this provision, an other than honorable, bad conduct, or
14 dishonorable release premised solely on a nonviolent can-
15 nabis charge or conviction shall be construed as a general
16 discharge.

17 (b) AUTHORIZED PROVISION OF INFORMATION.—
18 Notwithstanding the provisions of the Controlled Sub-

1 stances Act (21 U.S.C. 801 et seq.) or any other Federal,
2 State, or local law regulating or prohibiting the provision
3 of information on marijuana, the Secretary of Veterans
4 Affairs shall authorize physicians and other health care
5 providers of the Veterans Health Administration of the
6 Department of Veterans Affairs to provide to veterans who
7 are residents of States with State-approved marijuana
8 programs information regarding the participation of such
9 veterans in such programs and to recommend their par-
10 ticipation in such programs.

11 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 (1) The term “information” includes details
13 such as informational materials, internet websites,
14 and relevant contact information for State-approved
15 marijuana programs.

16 (2) The term “marijuana” has the meaning
17 given the term “marihuana” in section 102 of the
18 Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802).

19 (3) The term “State” means each of the several
20 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth
21 of Puerto Rico, any territory, Federal enclave, or
22 possession of the United States, and each federally
23 recognized Indian Tribe.

24 (4) The term “nonviolent cannabis charge or
25 conviction” shall include any nonviolent offense or

1 offenses involving marijuana, or
2 tetrahydrocannabinols and any related nonviolent of-
3 fenses or convictions that would not have satisfied
4 all elements of the charged offense or offenses but
5 for the involvement of these substances except for
6 any offenses or convictions where it has been estab-
7 lished in court that the individual was associated
8 with a foreign drug cartel or operating a motor vehi-
9 cle under the influence of a drug or alcohol within
10 the meaning of section 13(b) of title 18, United
11 States Code, an offense of operating or being in ac-
12 tual physical control of a motor vehicle within the
13 meaning of title 36, section 4.23 of the Code of Fed-
14 eral Regulations, or drunken or reckless operation of
15 vehicle, aircraft or vessel within the meaning of arti-
16 cle 111 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, sec-
17 tion 911 of title 10, United States Code.

