Amendment to Rules Committee Print 118–36 Offered by Ms. Mace of South Carolina

At the end of subtitle C of title V, insert the following:

1 SEC. 5_____. AUTHORITY TO UPGRADE DISCHARGE ON THE 2 SOLE BASIS OF A NONVIOLENT CANNABIS OF 3 FENSE.

4 (a) AUTHORITY.—Pursuant to section 1552 or 1553
5 of title 10, United States Code, the Secretary concerned
6 may grant a covered individual an upgrade of the charac7 terization of the discharge or dismissal of such covered
8 individual to a general discharge.

9 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) The term "covered individual" means an in-11 dividual—

12 (A) who was discharged or dismissed from
13 an Armed Force solely on the basis of a non14 violent cannabis offense; and

(B) whose discharge or dismissal was notcharacterized as honorable.

17 (2) The term "nonviolent cannabis offense"18 means a nonviolent offense or conviction that would

not have satisfied all elements of the charged offense 1 2 for involvement but the of marijuana or 3 tetrahydrocannabinols. Such term does not include an offense or conviction under section 911 of title 4 10, United States Code (article 111 of the Uniform 5 Code of Military Justice). 6

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