AMENDMENT TO
RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-42
OFFERED BY MR. MCCORMICK OF GEORGIA

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

SEC. 208. COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF REQUIREMENTS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms ''covered entity'', ''intercollegiate athletic association'', ''intercollegiate athletic competition'', ''member conference'', and ''member institution'' have the meanings given those terms in section 8 of the Sports Broadcasting Act of 1961, as redesignated by section 201(b)(1) of this Act.

(b) REQUIREMENTS FOR EXEMPTIONS.—Antitrust exemptions, including section 1(b), shall not apply to any institution or conference that participates, or to any joint agreement described in section 1(b) that permits any member institution, member conference, or covered entity to participate, in any postseason intercollegiate athletic competitions for intercollegiate football within the College Football Playoff for the Football Bowl Subdivision occurring on or after August 1, 2029, unless such College Football Playoff meets the following requirements:

(1) There shall be a permanent 8-team College Football Playoff format. Additional preliminary or

play-in rounds, and any expansion beyond the 8-team format, shall not be permitted.

(2) Such Playoff format shall consist of the following:

(A) Four quarterfinal games played at the higher ranked team's home stadium.

(B) Two semifinal games, which shall be New Year's Six Bowl games.

(C) One national championship game, played at a neutral site.

(3) The qualification structure for such Playoff shall be as follows:

(A) automatic bids to the four highest-ranked conference champions, with the remaining four positions awarded to the highest-ranked eligible teams regardless of conference affiliation.

(4) Except as provided in paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), the College Football Playoff Board of Managers shall have the authority to arrange such Playoff format, schedule, and structure, including logistics related to bowl game selections.

(c) SAVINGS.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to modify the Sports Broadcasting Act of 1961, as amended by this title, or any broadcasting agreements

under such Act of 1961 or any other Act in effect on the day before the date of enactment of this Act.

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