

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-**

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At the end of subtitle F of title V, add the following  
new section:

**1 SEC. 564. ATOMIC VETERANS SERVICE MEDAL.**

2 (a) SERVICE MEDAL REQUIRED.—The Secretary of  
3 Defense shall design and produce a military service medal,  
4 to be known as the “Atomic Veterans Service Medal”, to  
5 honor retired and former members of the Armed Forces  
6 who are radiation-exposed veterans (as such term is de-  
7 fined in section 1112(c)(3) of title 38, United States  
8 Code).

9 (b) DISTRIBUTION OF MEDAL.—

10 (1) ISSUANCE TO RETIRED AND FORMER MEM-  
11 BERS.—At the request of a radiation-exposed vet-  
12 eran, the Secretary of Defense shall issue the Atom-  
13 ic Veterans Service Medal to the veteran.

14 (2) ISSUANCE TO NEXT-OF-KIN.—In the case of  
15 a radiation-exposed veteran who is deceased, the  
16 Secretary may provide for issuance of the Atomic

1 Veterans Service Medal to the next-of-kin of the per-  
2 son.

3 (3) APPLICATION.—The Secretary shall prepare  
4 and disseminate as appropriate an application by  
5 which radiation-exposed veterans and their next-of-  
6 kin may apply to receive the Atomic Veterans Serv-  
7 ice Medal.

