

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 4909
OFFERED BY MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA**

Page 609, line 20, strike “or any fiscal year thereafter”.

Page 610, strike lines 8 through 15 and insert the following:

1 “(3) OTHER PURPOSES.—The Secretary may
2 obligate or expend not more than a total of 31 per-
3 cent of the funds that are authorized to be appro-
4 priated or otherwise made available for fiscal year
5 2017 for the rocket propulsion system and launch
6 system investment for activities not authorized by
7 paragraph (1)(A), including for developing a launch
8 vehicle, an upper stage, a strap-on motor, or related
9 infrastructure. The Secretary may exceed such limit
10 in fiscal year 2017 for such purposes if—”.

Page 612, strike lines 4 through 12 and insert the following:

11 “(3) PLAN TO PROTECT GOVERNMENT INVEST-
12 MENT AND ASSURED ACCESS TO SPACE.—

1 “(A) In developing the rocket propulsion
2 system under paragraph (1), and in any devel-
3 opment conducted pursuant to subsection
4 (d)(3), the Secretary shall develop a plan to
5 protect the investment of the United States and
6 the assured access to space, including, con-
7 sistent with section 2320 of title 10, United
8 States Code, and in accordance with other ap-
9 plicable provisions of law, acquiring the rights
10 for the purpose of developing alternative
11 sources of supply and manufacture in the event
12 such alternative sources are necessary and in
13 the best interest of the United States, such as
14 in the event that a company goes out of busi-
15 ness or the system is otherwise unavailable
16 after the Federal Government has invested sig-
17 nificant resources to use and rely on such sys-
18 tem for launch services.

19 “(B) Not later than 90 days after the date
20 of the enactment of the National Defense Au-
21 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017, the Sec-
22 retary shall submit to the appropriate congres-
23 sional committees the plan developed under
24 subparagraph (A).”.

