

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title X:

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . COREY ADAMS GREEN ALERT SYSTEMS TECH-**
2 **NICAL ASSISTANCE.**

3 (a) **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**—The Secretary of De-
4 fense, in consultation with the Secretary of Veterans Af-
5 fairs, shall provide financial and technical assistance to
6 a State that has established or has under consideration
7 legislation to establish a Green Alert or other system spe-
8 cifically dedicated to locating missing veterans or active
9 duty members of the Armed Forces (or both), to help en-
10 sure the effective use of those systems to successfully find
11 and recover current or former members of the Armed
12 Forces.

13 (b) **CONTENT OF ASSISTANCE.**—Such assistance
14 shall include—

15 (1) helping the State develop, revise, or update
16 criteria for issuing such alerts, including on when to
17 issue such alerts, training to provide to law enforce-
18 ment on interacting with veterans or service mem-
19 bers, and provide recommendations on how best to

1 protect the privacy, dignity, and independence of
2 veterans or service members who are the subject of
3 such alerts;

4 (2) providing assistance to the State on pro-
5 tecting the privacy of veterans and service members,
6 including sensitive medical information, as such
7 alerts are issued;

8 (3) designating officials to serve or participate
9 on any advisory committees established by the State
10 or local governments to provide oversight of Green
11 Alert systems dedicated to finding missing veterans;

12 (4) for those veterans recovered by such sys-
13 tems, helping ensure such veterans are connected to
14 any services provided by the Department of Veterans
15 Affairs or the Department of Defense to which they
16 are entitled as a result of their service, including
17 housing and healthcare;

18 (5) providing public education on these systems
19 to military or veteran communities in such States,
20 including on facilities of the Department of Veterans
21 Affairs or the Department of Defense located in
22 such States;

23 (6) supporting efforts to train State and local
24 law enforcement who issue such alerts and search

1 for such individuals on the unique needs of veterans
2 and service members; and

3 (7) ensuring officials of the Department of Vet-
4 erans Affairs or the Department of Defense in such
5 States are aware of Green Alerts, understand how
6 they work, and integrate them with any plan for lo-
7 cating missing veterans at a base or facility of the
8 Department of Veterans Affairs or the Department
9 of Defense.

10 (c) USE OF EXISTING MECHANISMS.—To the max-
11 imum extent possible, the Secretaries shall use, existing
12 mechanisms, including advisory committees and programs,
13 to meet the requirements of this section.

14 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 (1) The term “missing veteran” means an indi-
16 vidual who—

17 (A) is reported to, or identified by, a law
18 enforcement agency as a missing person;

19 (B) is a veteran; and

20 (C) meets the requirements to be des-
21 ignated as a missing veteran, as determined by
22 the State in which the individual is reported or
23 identified as a missing person.

24 (2) The term “State” means each of the 50
25 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth

1 of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands,
2 Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of
3 the Northern Mariana Islands.

4 (3) The term “Green Alert” means an alert
5 issued through the Green Alert communications net-
6 work, related to a missing veteran.

7 (4) The term “veteran” means an individual
8 who is currently serving or a former member who
9 served in the United States Armed Forces, including
10 National Guard, or a Reserve or auxiliary unit from
11 any branch of the Armed Forces.

