

AMENDMENT TO
RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-10
OFFERED BY MS. SHERRILL OF NEW JERSEY

This bill directs DoD to create an expediated waiver process for military recruits and applicants who have previously legally used marijuana or have a documented history of marijuana usage without misconduct offenses by reducing the waiver authority to the lowest level, such as a recruiting station commander.

This bill would not restrict DoD from placing other restrictions on recruits with a history of marijuana usage, and could allow additional requirements including but not limited to: Tier 1 education status, Armed Forces Qualification Test (AFQT) scores in categories I–IIIA, or be age 22 or older. Note, that DoD is not forced to put any restrictions in place, but has the ability to, as long as the restrictions are not excessive and severely limit the ability of recruits to be eligible for service.

This bill would require DoD to distinguish between recruits with only a documented history of marijuana and those who also have misconduct offenses.