

**Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to the Rules Committee Print
Offered by Mr. Mfume of Maryland**

In section 90003, after subsection (b) insert the following (and redesignate accordingly):

(c) POLITICAL AFFILIATION HIRING QUESTIONS PROHIBITED.—A Federal employee who has authority to take, direct others to take, recommend, or approve any personnel action (as such term is defined in section 2302(a) of title 5, United States Code) may not solicit or consider any information regarding the political activity of an applicant for a position in the Federal Government, including information about membership in any political party, with respect to a decision regarding the appointment of such individual to such position.