

**AMENDMENT TO**  
**RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-54**  
**OFFERED BY MR. PAPPAS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

At the end of subtitle C of title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5\_\_\_ . RECORD OF MILITARY SERVICE FOR MEMBERS**  
2 **OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

3 (a) STANDARD RECORD OF SERVICE REQUIRED.—  
4 Chapter 59 of title 10, United States Code, is amended  
5 by inserting after section 1168 the following new sections:  
6 **“§ 1168a. Discharge or release: record of military**  
7 **service**

8 “(a) RECORD OF SERVICE REQUIRED.—(1) The Sec-  
9 retary of Defense shall establish and implement a stand-  
10 ard record of military service for all members of the armed  
11 forces (including the reserve components), regarding all  
12 duty under this title, title 32, and title 14.

13 “(2) The record established under this section shall  
14 be known as the ‘Certificate of Military Service’.

15 “(b) NATURE AND SCOPE.—A Certificate of Military  
16 Service shall—

17 “(1) provide a standardized summary of the  
18 service, in any Federal duty status or on State ac-

1       tive duty, in the armed forces of a member of the  
2       armed forces;

3             “(2) be the same document for all members of  
4       the armed forces; and

5             “(3) serve as the discharge certificate or certifi-  
6       cate of release from active duty for purposes of sec-  
7       tion 1168 of this title.

8       “(c) COORDINATION.—In carrying out this section,  
9       the Secretary of Defense shall coordinate with other Fed-  
10      eral officers, including the Secretary of Veterans Affairs,  
11      to ensure that a Certificate of Military Service serves as  
12      acceptable proof of military service for receipt of benefits  
13      under the laws administered by such Federal officers.”.

14       (b) ISSUANCE TO MEMBERS OF RESERVE COMPO-  
15      NENTS.—Chapter 59 of such title, as amended by sub-  
16      section (a), is further amended by inserting after section  
17      1168a the following new section:

18      **“§ 1168b. Record of military service: issuance to mem-  
19                           bers of reserve components**

20             “An up-to-date record of military service under sec-  
21      tion 1168a of this title shall be issued to a member of  
22      a reserve component as follows:

23             “(1) Upon permanent change to duty status  
24      (including retirement, resignation, expiration of a

1 term of service, promotion or commissioning as an  
2 officer, or permanent transfer to active duty).

3 “(2) Upon discharge or release from temporary  
4 active duty orders (minimum of 90 days on orders  
5 or 30 days for a contingency operation).

6 “(3) Upon promotion to each grade beginning  
7 with—

8 “(A) O-3 for commissioned officers;

9 “(B) W-3 for warrant officers; and

10 “(C) E-4 for enlisted members.

11 “(4) In the case of a member of the National  
12 Guard, upon any transfer to the National Guard of  
13 another State or territory (commonly referred to as  
14 an ‘Interstate Transfer’).”.

15 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATED TO CUR-  
16 RENT DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE AUTHORITIES.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section  
18 1168 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

19 (A) by striking “his discharge certificate or  
20 certificate of release from active duty, respec-  
21 tively, and his final pay” and inserting “the  
22 member’s record of military service under sec-  
23 tion 1168a of this title, and the member’s final  
24 pay”; and

1 (B) by striking “him or his” and inserting  
2 “the member or the member’s”.

3 (2) **HEADING AMENDMENT.**—The heading of  
4 such section 1168 is amended to read as follows:

5 **“§ 1168. Discharge or release from active duty: limita-**  
6 **tions; issuance of record of military serv-**  
7 **ice”.**

8 (d) **CLERICAL AMENDMENT.**—The table of sections  
9 at the beginning of chapter 59 of such title is amended  
10 by striking the item relating to section 1168 and inserting  
11 the following new items:

“1168. Discharge or release from active duty: limitations; issuance of record of  
military service.

“1168a. Discharge or release: record of military service.

“1168b. Record of military service: issuance to members of reserve compo-  
nents.”.

