

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-

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Add at the end of subtitle C of title VII the following new section:

1 **SEC. ____ . REPORT AND STANDARDS ON TIMELINESS OF**
2 **ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS DURING**
3 **TRANSITION FROM THE ARMED FORCES.**

4 (a) REPORT.—

5 (1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 180 days
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
7 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional
8 defense committees a report on the timeliness of
9 providing members of the Armed Forces who are
10 separating from active duty with a copy of the elec-
11 tronic health records of the members.

12 (2) ELEMENTS.—The report under paragraph
13 (1) shall include the following, with respect to the
14 one-year period preceding the date of the report:

15 (A) The average number of days following
16 separation from active duty for a member to re-
17 ceive the electronic health records of the mem-
18 ber.

1 (B) The most number of days a member
2 has waited to receive such records.

3 (C) An explanation for delays in providing
4 members such records.

5 (b) STANDARDS.—Not later than 270 days after the
6 date on which the Secretary submits the report under sub-
7 section (a)(1), the Secretary shall establish standards to
8 ensure that a member of the Armed Forces who is sepa-
9 rating from active duty receives the electronic health
10 records of the member within a reasonable period.

11 (c) REASONABLE PERIOD DEFINED.—In this section,
12 the term “reasonable period”, with respect to the stand-
13 ards established under subsection (b), means a period that
14 the Secretary of Defense determines appropriate after tak-
15 ing into account—

16 (1) the findings of the report under subsection
17 (a)(1); and

18 (2) the views of members of the Armed Forces
19 who are separating from active duty, veterans, and
20 other individuals the Secretary determines appro-
21 priate.

