

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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Add at the end of subtitle F of title X of division
A the following:

1 **SEC. 1079A. WILDFIRE PREPARATION, RESPONSE, AND RE-**
2 **COVERY ASSESSMENT.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—

4 (1) ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary of
5 Defense, acting through Deputy Under Secretary of
6 Defense for Installations and Environment and in
7 consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture and
8 the Secretary of the Interior, shall, not less than
9 once every 5 years, complete a wildfire assessment
10 under the Army Wildland Fire Management Pro-
11 gram that includes the analysis described in para-
12 graph (2).

13 (2) CONTENTS OF ANALYSIS.—The assessment
14 required under paragraph (1), shall, to the max-
15 imum extent practicable, with respect to the pre-
16 ceding 5 years, include an analysis of—

17 (A) the direct costs of wildfire response,
18 preparation, and recovery, including—

- 1 (i) wildfire mitigation activities;
- 2 (ii) wildlife suppression activities;
- 3 (iii) insured private property losses
- 4 due to wildfire;
- 5 (iv) uninsured private property losses
- 6 due to wildfire;
- 7 (v) damage due to wildfire and the
- 8 necessary repairs related to utility infra-
- 9 structure, including shutoffs;
- 10 (vi) damage and loss of timber and
- 11 other agricultural resources due to wildfire;
- 12 (vii) damage due to wildfire and the
- 13 necessary restoration of archeological sites;
- 14 (viii) evacuations and emergency shel-
- 15 ters;
- 16 (ix) labor;
- 17 (x) human health, including death, in-
- 18 jury, and illness;
- 19 (xi) necessary infrastructure and sta-
- 20 bilization repairs;
- 21 (xii) damage due to wildfire and the
- 22 necessary rehabilitation of ecosystem serv-
- 23 ices, including watershed impairment,
- 24 vegetation, and soil impacts; and

1 (xiii) damage due to wildfire and the
2 necessary restoration to wildlife habitat;

3 (B) the indirect costs of wildfire response,
4 preparation, and recovery, including—

5 (i) diminished tax revenue;

6 (ii) lost business revenue, including
7 supply chain impacts; and

8 (iii) property devaluation and housing
9 market impacts;

10 (C) whether the costs described in sub-
11 paragraphs (A) and (B) have been or will be
12 paid by—

13 (i) the Federal government;

14 (ii) State or territory governments; or

15 (iii) county or local governments;

16 (D) a comparison between the analysis
17 under such assessment and the analysis under
18 the preceding assessment (as applicable); and

19 (E) any challenges to ascertaining the
20 costs described in subparagraphs (A), (B), and
21 (C), including unavailable data.

22 (b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 2 years
23 after the date of the enactment of this section, and once
24 every 5 years thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall

1 submit to the President and Congress the most recently
2 completed assessment required under subsection (a)(1).

3 (c) COLLABORATION.—In carrying out an assessment
4 required under subsection (a)(1), the Secretary of Defense
5 may collaborate with relevant Federal agencies, State and
6 local governments, research institutions, utility companies
7 and cooperatives, and non-profit organizations.

