

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 116-57

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At the end of subtitle G, add the following:

1 **SEC. __. REPORT ON SUPPORT FOR DEMOCRATIC REFORMS**
2 **BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF**
3 **GEORGIA.**

4 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
5 gress that the United States should—

6 (1) support the Government of the Republic of
7 Georgia’s continued development of democratic val-
8 ues, path to electoral reform, commitment to com-
9 bating corruption, and efforts to ensure the Geor-
10 gian private sector upholds internationally recog-
11 nized standards, including welcoming and protecting
12 foreign direct investment; and

13 (2) continue to work closely with the Govern-
14 ment of Georgia on defense and security cooperation
15 to include increasing Georgia’s defense capabilities,
16 interoperability with partner nations, adherence to
17 the rules of war, and strengthening of defense insti-
18 tutions.

19 (b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days
20 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary

1 of State shall submit to the appropriate congressional
2 committees a report that contains—

3 (1) an analysis of whether or not the Govern-
4 ment of Georgia is taking effective steps to strength-
5 en democratic institutions in Georgia; and

6 (2) an analysis of whether or not the Govern-
7 ment of Georgia is—

8 (A) effectively implementing electoral re-
9 form;

10 (B) respecting the independence of the ju-
11 diciary, including independence from legislative
12 or executive interference;

13 (C) effectively implementing the necessary
14 policies to ensure accountability and trans-
15 parency, including unfettered access to public
16 information;

17 (D) protecting the rights of civil society,
18 opposition political parties, and the independ-
19 ence of the media; and

20 (E) any other matters the Secretary deter-
21 mines to be appropriate.

