

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-

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OFFERED BY MS. BUSH OF MISSOURI

At the end of title V, add the following:

1 **SEC. 507. STUDY ON EXPOSURE OF VETERANS TO TOXIC**
2 **SUBSTANCES RELATED TO FOSSIL FUELS.**

3 (a) **STUDY.**—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall
4 conduct a study on the exposure of veterans to toxic sub-
5 stances related to fossil fuels, to identify populations of
6 veterans who, during active military, naval, air, or space
7 service, may have been so exposed and to determine risk
8 factors associated with various military occupational spe-
9 cialties within the Armed Forces.

10 (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The study under subsection (a)
11 shall assess, with respect to each veteran included in the
12 study, the following:

13 (1) The age, race, and gender of the veteran.

14 (2) The period of service and length of service
15 of the veteran in the Armed Forces.

16 (3) Any military occupational speciality of the
17 veteran relating to fossil fuels, including the proc-
18 essing, production, transport, or handling of fossil
19 fuels.

1 (4) Any exposure of the veteran to fossil fuels
2 that did not occur in connection with the service of
3 the veteran in the active military, naval, air, or
4 space service.

5 (5) Any type of cancer, or other illness associ-
6 ated with exposure to a toxic substance or environ-
7 mental hazard, that the veteran has.

8 (c) REPORT.—Not later than two years after the date
9 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit
10 to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the House of
11 Representatives and the Senate a report on the study
12 under subsection (a).

13 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the term “illness”
14 has the meaning given that term in section 1171 of title
15 38, United States Code, as added by section 202.

