AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117– 56

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| 1 | Beginning on page 117, strike line 14 and all that |
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| 2 | follows through page 119, line 13, and insert the following: |
| 3 | "(c) Authorization of Appropriations.—(1) |
| 4 | There is authorized to be appropriated to the Fund for |
| 5 | fiscal year 2023 and each subsequent fiscal year such |
| 6 | sums as are necessary, pursuant to the limitation in para- |
| 7 | graph (2), to increase funding, over the fiscal year 2021 |
| 8 | level, for investment in— |
| 9 | "(A) the delivery of veterans' health care asso- |
| 10 | ciated with exposure to environmental hazards in the |
| 11 | active military, naval, air, or space service in pro- |
| 12 | grams administered by the Under Secretary for |
| 13 | Health; |
| 14 | "(B) any expenses incident to the delivery of |
| 15 | veterans' health care and benefits associated with |
| 16 | exposure to environmental hazards in the active mili- |
| 17 | tary, naval, air, or space service, including adminis- |
| 18 | trative expenses, such as information technology and |
| 19 | claims processing and appeals, and excluding leases |

| 1 | as authorized or approved under section 8104 of this |
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| 2 | title; and |
| 3 | "(C) medical and other research relating to ex- |
| 4 | posure to environmental hazards. |
| 5 | "(2) Limitation.—For the period of fiscal years |
| 6 | 2023 through 2031, amounts authorized to be appro- |
| 7 | priated to the Fund may not exceed a cumulative total |
| 8 | of \$116,800,000,000. |
| 9 | "(d) Budget Scorekeeping.—(1) Immediately |
| 10 | upon enactment of the Sergeant First Class Heath Robin- |
| 11 | son Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive |
| 12 | Toxics Act of 2022, expenses authorized to be appro- |
| 13 | priated to the Fund in subsection (c) shall be estimated |
| 14 | for fiscal year 2023 through fiscal year 2031 and treated |
| 15 | as budget authority that is considered to be direct spend- |
| 16 | ing— |
| 17 | "(A) in the baseline for purposes of section 257 |
| 18 | of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Con- |
| 19 | trol Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 907); |
| 20 | "(B) by the Chairman of the Committee on the |
| 21 | Budget of the Senate and the Chair of the Com- |
| 22 | mittee on the Budget of the House of Representa- |
| 23 | tives, as appropriate, for purposes of budget enforce- |
| 24 | ment in the Senate and the House of Representa- |
| 25 | tives: |

| "(C) under the Congressional Budget Act of |
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| 1974 (2 U.S.C. 621 et seq.), including in the reports |
| required by section 308(b) of such Act (2 U.S.C |
| 639); and |
| "(D) for purposes of the Statutory Pay-As-You- |
| Go Act of 2010 (2 U.S.C. 931 et seq.). |
| "(2)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) |
| amounts appropriated to the Fund for fiscal years 2023 |
| through 2031 pursuant to this section shall be counted |
| as direct spending under the Congressional Budget and |
| Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 621 et seq.) |
| and any other Act. |
| "(B) Any amounts appropriated to the Fund in ex- |
| cess of the amount specified under subsection $(c)(2)$ shall |
| be scored as discretionary budget authority and outlays |
| for any estimate of an appropriations Act.". |
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