

AMENDMENT TO
RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-33
OFFERED BY MR. PERRY OF PENNSYLVANIA

At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 7___ . PROVISION OF STELLATE GANGLION BLOCK TO**
2 **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WITH**
3 **POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER.**

4 (a) PROVISION TO MEMBERS OF THE ARMED
5 FORCES.—Chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, as
6 amended by section 703, is further amended by inserting
7 after section 1074p the following new section:

8 **“§ 1074q. Provision of stellate ganglion block for cer-**
9 **tain members**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall furnish stel-
11 late ganglion block to any member of the Armed Forces
12 (including the reserve components) who is performing or
13 has performed active service and who—

14 “(1) is enrolled in the TRICARE program
15 under chapter 55 of this title;

16 “(2) has been diagnosed with post-traumatic
17 stress disorder; and

1 “(3) has elected to receive stellate ganglion
2 block after being informed by a qualified health care
3 provider of the risks and benefits of stellate ganglion
4 block.

5 “(b) PROVISION OF CARE.—The Secretary may fur-
6 nish stellate ganglion block under subsection (a) through
7 a medical facility of the Department or through a qualified
8 health care provider participating in a Department admin-
9 istered TRICARE health insurance program.”.

10 (b) UPDATE OF JOINT CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDE-
11 LINE.—

12 (1) UPDATE OF GUIDELINE.—Not later than
13 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
14 the Secretary of Defense shall update the guideline
15 titled the “VA/DOD Clinical Practice Guideline
16 (CPG) for the Management of PTSD” (or such suc-
17 cessor guideline) to ensure the guideline—

18 (A) reflects the availability of stellate gan-
19 gion block as a therapy option; and

20 (B) includes information on the clinical in-
21 dicators and contraindicators for such therapy
22 option.

23 (2) NOTIFICATION.—Upon updating the guide-
24 line under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall notify
25 the congressional defense committees (as such term

1 is defined in section 101 of title 10, United States
2 Code) of such update.

3 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
4 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 180
5 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

