

**AMENDMENT TO**  
**RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-33**  
**OFFERED BY MS. PETERSEN OF COLORADO**

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

1 **SEC. 16\_\_ . DEMONSTRATION OF SECURE COMMAND AND**  
2 **CONTROL TRANSFER FOR COMMERCIAL**  
3 **SPACE ASSETS.**

4 (a) **DEMONSTRATION REQUIRED.**—Not later than  
5 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
6 Secretary of the Air Force, acting through the Com-  
7 mander of Space Systems Command, shall carry out a  
8 demonstration of a framework for the secure and auditable  
9 transfer of command and control of a commercial space  
10 vehicle between a commercial operator and an authorized  
11 Federal Government or tactical user.

12 (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The demonstration carried out  
13 under subsection (a) shall include—

14 (1) a cooperative handover of a flight-capable  
15 space vehicle between two independent ground sys-  
16 tems operating within an accredited Impact Level 4  
17 (or higher) cloud environment;

1           (2) validation of protections for data in transit  
2           and data at rest using zero-trust enforcement and  
3           continuous verification; and

4           (3) development of procedures for secure dele-  
5           tion of Federal Government mission data prior to re-  
6           turn of the asset to its commercial owner.

7           (c) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the  
8           date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall sub-  
9           mit to the congressional defense committees a report on  
10          the results of the demonstration, including an assessment  
11          of the suitability of the framework for operational use  
12          across national security space missions.

13          (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
14          tion shall be construed to authorize the appropriation of  
15          additional amounts to carry out the demonstration re-  
16          quired under subsection (a).

