

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

At the end of subtitle B of title III, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3\_\_\_.** **INTERAGENCY MEMORANDUM OF UNDER-**  
2 **STANDING FOR COORDINATION ON RE-**  
3 **SEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY PRIORITIES RE-**  
4 **LATING TO FIRE SCIENCE.**

5 (a) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.—Not later  
6 than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
7 the Secretary of Defense shall enter into a joint memo-  
8 randum of understanding with the Secretary of Agri-  
9 culture (acting through the Chief of the Forest Service)  
10 and the Secretary of Interior, to—

11 (1) identify joint fire science research and tech-  
12 nology priorities, including mitigation, ecological re-  
13 siliance, fire and smoke modeling, response, and  
14 post-fire recovery, that align with—

15 (A) the Strategic Environmental Research  
16 and Development Program and the Environ-  
17 mental Security Technology Certification Pro-  
18 gram of the Department of Defense; and

1 (B) the Joint Fire Science Program of the  
2 Department of Agriculture and the Department  
3 of the Interior; and

4 (2) direct research coordination between such  
5 programs with respect to the joint priorities identi-  
6 fied pursuant to paragraph (1).

7 (b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
8 of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense  
9 shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
10 House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the  
11 actions taken by the Secretary to implement subsection  
12 (a).

