

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-**

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At the end of title VIII, add the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . AVIATION & SPECTRUM TRAINING WORKING**  
2 **GROUP.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 120 days after  
4 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Trans-  
5 portation shall establish a working group to advise the  
6 Secretary and the Administrator of the Federal Aviation  
7 Administration on matters and policies related to the  
8 training and preparedness of the Department’s workforce  
9 on spectrum matters to ensure that the Department is  
10 committing the necessary level of resources for the proper  
11 hiring, training, continuing education and stakeholder en-  
12 gagements to ensure that there is the appropriate tech-  
13 nical expertise for improved coordination and collaboration  
14 with the National Telecommunications and Information  
15 Administration as well as other government, industry and  
16 academia stakeholders for matters involving aviation and  
17 spectrum.

18 (b) ACTIVITIES.—The working group shall—

1           (1) evaluate and compare all current staffing,  
2           training, continuing education and stakeholder en-  
3           agements to determine how the department cur-  
4           rently trains for spectrum and aviation technical  
5           matters to ensure increased awareness, full technical  
6           understanding and to allow for earlier and better  
7           collaboration and information sharing between the  
8           department and other government, industry and aca-  
9           demia stakeholders on spectrum and aviation inter-  
10          actions;

11          (2) assess appropriate areas for increased inter-  
12          agency information sharing, education, training and  
13          continuing education regarding spectrum and avia-  
14          tion interactions across government, industry and  
15          academia; and

16          (3) make recommendations on how to improve  
17          the staffing, training, continuing education and  
18          stakeholder engagement opportunities to ensure the  
19          necessary expertise at all appropriate levels and of-  
20          fices regarding spectrum and aviation interactions to  
21          ensure the department is best prepare to collaborate,  
22          test and ensure the necessary exchanges of informa-  
23          tion with other government, industry and academia  
24          stakeholders.

25          (c) INITIAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after  
2           the date on which the Secretary of Transportation  
3           establishes the working group under subsection (a),  
4           the working group shall submit to the appropriate  
5           committees of Congress an initial report on the ac-  
6           tivities of the working group.

7           (2) CONTENTS.—The report required under  
8           paragraph (1) shall include—

9                   (A) a detailed description of the findings of  
10                  the working group pursuant to the activities re-  
11                  quired under subsection (b); and

12                   (B) recommendations to improve the staff-  
13                  ing, training, continuing education and stake-  
14                  holder engagement opportunities to ensure the  
15                  necessary expertise at all appropriate levels and  
16                  offices regarding spectrum and aviation inter-  
17                  actions to ensure the department is best pre-  
18                  pare to collaborate, test and ensure the nec-  
19                  essary exchanges of information with other gov-  
20                  ernment, industry and academia stakeholders.

21           (d) ANNUAL REPORTING.—Not later than 1 year  
22           after the date on which the working group established  
23           under subsection (a) submits the initial report under sub-  
24           section (c), and annually thereafter, the working group

1 shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress  
2 a report—

3           (1) describing the continued activities of the  
4 working group;

5           (2) describing any progress made by the Sec-  
6 retary of Transportation in implementing the rec-  
7 ommendations described in subsection (c); and

8           (3) containing any other recommendations the  
9 working group may have with respect to efforts to  
10 improve the staffing, training and continuing edu-  
11 cation for the department's workforce.

