

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

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

**1 SEC. 16___. EXPANSION OF NUCLEAR LONG RANGE STAND-
2 OFF CAPABILITY.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force
4 may use amounts authorized to be appropriated by this
5 Act for fiscal year 2025 for Operation and Maintenance,
6 Air Force to reconvert the B–52 bombers that had been
7 modified to carry only conventional weapons to conform
8 to the Treaty between the United States of America and
9 the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Re-
10 duction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms signed
11 on April 8, 2010, and entered into force on February 5,
12 2011 (commonly known as the “New START Treaty”),
13 to be able to carry nuclear weapons.

14 (b) CONVERSION OF B–52 BOMBERS.—

15 (1) START DATE.—Not later than 30 days after
16 the expiration of the New Start Treaty, the Sec-
17 retary of the Air Force shall commence the process

1 of making available for nuclear certification the B-
2 52 bombers described in subsection (a).

3 (2) COMPLETION DATE.—The Secretary of the
4 Air Force shall ensure that the reconversion of B-
5 52 bombers described in subsection (a) is complete
6 by not later than December 31, 2029.

7 (c) FUNDING PROFILE FOR INCREASED PRODUCTION
8 OF THE LONG RANGE STANDOFF WEAPON.—Not later
9 than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
10 the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the congres-
11 sional defense committees a report on the funding profile
12 necessary, by fiscal year, to expand by one-third the
13 planned purchase of the Long Range Standoff Weapon.

