

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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OFFERED BY MR. PHILLIPS OF MINNESOTA

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . PROHIBITION ON USE OF FEDERAL PROPERTY**
2 **FOR POLITICAL CONVENTIONS OR FUND-**
3 **RAISING.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 29 of title 18, United
5 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 611 the
6 following:

7 **“§ 612. Prohibition on use of Federal property for**
8 **certain political activities**

9 “(a) A convention of a national political party held
10 to nominate a candidate for the office of President or Vice
11 President, or any event at which a contribution is solicited
12 or accepted for the campaign for election of any candidate
13 for Federal office (as such terms are defined in section
14 301 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971), may
15 not be held on or in any Federal property.

16 “(b) Any candidate or the authorized committee of
17 the candidate under the Federal Election Campaign Act
18 of 1971 which was responsible for a convention or event
19 in violation of subsection (a) shall be subject to an assess-

1 ment of a civil penalty equal to the fair market value of
2 the cost of the convention or event (as the case may be)
3 or \$50,000, whichever is greater, or imprisoned not more
4 than five years, or both.

5 “(c) In this section, the term ‘Federal property’
6 means any building, land, or other real property owned,
7 leased, or occupied by any department, agency, or instru-
8 mentality of the United States, including the White House
9 grounds and the White House (including the Old Execu-
10 tive Office Building, the West Wing, the East Wing, the
11 Rose Garden, and the Executive Residence, but not includ-
12 ing the second floor of the Executive Residence).”.

13 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
14 for such chapter is amended by inserting after the item
15 relating to section 611 the following:

“612. Prohibition on use of Federal property for certain political activities.”.

16 (c) APPLICATION.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—This Act and the amend-
18 ments made by this Act shall apply to any conven-
19 tion or event described in section 612(a) of title 18,
20 United States Code, as added by subsection (a), oc-
21 ccurring on or after the date of enactment of this
22 Act.

23 (2) TRAVEL.—Nothing in this Act or the
24 amendments made by this Act shall be construed to
25 limit or otherwise prevent the President or Vice

- 1 President from using vehicles (including aircraft)
- 2 owned or leased by the Government for travel to or
- 3 from any such convention or event.

