

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

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OFFERED BY MR. PHILLIPS OF MINNESOTA

At the end of title VIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 8 ____ . FLY AMERICA ACT EXCEPTION REGARDING CER-**
2 **TAIN TRANSPORTATION OF DOMESTICATED**
3 **ANIMALS.**

4 Section 40118 of title 49, United States Code, is
5 amended by adding at the end the following:

6 “(h) CERTAIN TRANSPORTATION OF DOMESTICATED
7 ANIMALS.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sub-
9 sections (a) and (c), an appropriation to any depart-
10 ment, agency, or instrumentality of the United
11 States Government may be used to pay for the
12 transportation of Federal personnel, dependent of
13 the Federal personnel, and in-cabin or accompanying
14 checked baggage or cargo, by a foreign air carrier
15 when—

16 “(A) the transportation is from a place—

17 “(i) outside the United States to a
18 place in the United States;

1 “(ii) in the United States to a place
2 outside the United States; or

3 “(iii) between two places outside the
4 United States; and

5 “(B) no air carrier holding a certificate
6 under section 41102 is willing and able to
7 transport up to three domesticated animals ac-
8 companying such Federal personnel or depend-
9 ent.

10 “(2) LIMITATION.—An amount paid pursuant
11 to paragraph (1) for transportation by a foreign air
12 carrier may not be greater than the amount that
13 would otherwise have been paid had the transpor-
14 tation been on an air carrier holding a certificate
15 under section 41102 had that carrier been willing
16 and able to provide such transportation. If the
17 amount that would otherwise have been paid to such
18 an air carrier is less than the cost of transportation
19 on the applicable foreign air carrier, the Federal
20 personnel shall pay the difference of such amount.

21 “(3) DEFINITION.—In this subsection:

22 “(A) DOMESTICATED ANIMAL.—The term
23 ‘domesticated animal’ means a dog or a cat, or
24 any other animal the Secretary deems appro-
25 priate for reimbursement under this section.

1 “(B) FEDERAL PERSONNEL.—The term
2 ‘Federal personnel’ means any officer or em-
3 ployee of the United States Government, includ-
4 ing any member of the uniformed services (as
5 that term is defined in section 2101 of title 5),
6 the Foreign Service, and any Peace Corp volun-
7 teer.

8 “(C) PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER.—The
9 term ‘Peace Corps volunteer’ means an indi-
10 vidual described in section 5(a) of the Peace
11 Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504(a)).”.

