

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

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At the end of subtitle F of title X, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 10___ . STUDY ON NAVY AND MARINE CORPS FIGHTER**
2 **AIRCRAFT CAPABILITIES AND REQUIRE-**
3 **MENTS.**

4 (a) **PLAN FOR LONG-TERM NAVY AND MARINE**
5 **CORPS FIGHTER FORCE STRUCTURE.—**

6 (1) **IN GENERAL.—**The Secretary of the Navy
7 shall develop a long-term tactical fighter force struc-
8 ture, recapitalization, training, and sustainment plan
9 for the active and reserve components of the Depart-
10 ment of the Navy.

11 (2) **ELEMENTS.—**The plan under paragraph (1)
12 shall address each of the following:

13 (A) The appropriate mix of tactical fighter
14 force structure, with accompanying operational
15 risk analyses, required for the Secretary of the
16 Navy to meet expected steady-state, global force
17 management allocation plans and geographical
18 combatant commander contingency operational

1 plans tasked to the Navy using active and re-
2 serve component units.

3 (B) The procurement, divestment, unit ac-
4 tivation, deactivation, or re-missioning plans or
5 actions the Secretary plans to implement, fiscal
6 year-by-fiscal year, unit-by-unit, for the next 12
7 years for each active and reserve component
8 tactical fighter aircraft unit existing as of the
9 date of the enactment of this Act, including the
10 rationale and justification for any such plans or
11 actions.

12 (C) The actions the Secretary will take to
13 ensure that required operational readiness rates
14 are maintained during any planned recapitaliza-
15 tion, modernization, or change of mission af-
16 fecting tactical fighter aircraft units.

17 (D) Any plans of the Secretary to augment
18 or supplant existing piloted tactical fighter air-
19 craft capability or capacity with Collaborative
20 Combat Aircraft Increment.

21 (E) Any plans of the Secretary to augment
22 or supplant existing piloted tactical fighter air-
23 craft training events via acquisition and fielding
24 of common, joint, all-domain, high- fidelity syn-
25 thetic simulation environments.

1 (3) REPORT.—

2 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 1,
3 2025, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to
4 the congressional defense committees a report
5 that includes the plan developed under para-
6 graph (1).

7 (B) FORM.—The report required under
8 subparagraph (A) shall be submitted in unclas-
9 sified form, but may include a classified annex.

10 (b) FIGHTER AIRCRAFT CAPABILITIES AND RE-
11 QUIREMENTS STUDY AND REPORT.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—

13 (A) STUDY.—The Secretary of Defense
14 shall seek to enter into a contract or other
15 agreement with a federally funded research and
16 development center pursuant to which the cen-
17 ter shall carry out—

18 (i) an analysis of the fighter aircraft
19 procurement, fielding, and divestment plan
20 of the Department of the Navy, as re-
21 quired under subsection (a); and

22 (ii) a fighter aircraft capability and
23 requirements study that estimates the
24 number of fighter aircraft needed by the

1 Department of the Navy to meet the re-
2 quirements of combatant commanders.

3 (B) REPORT TO SECRETARY.—The feder-
4 ally funded research and development center
5 that carries out the study and analysis under
6 subparagraph (A) shall submit to the Secretary
7 of Defense a report on the results of such study
8 and analysis.

9 (C) REPORTS AND BRIEFING TO CON-
10 GRESS.—Not later than April 1, 2026, the Sec-
11 retary of Defense shall—

12 (i) submit to the congressional defense
13 committees an unaltered copy of the report
14 received by the Secretary under subpara-
15 graph (B);

16 (ii) submit to such committees a sepa-
17 rate report on the views of the Secretary
18 with respect to the results of the study and
19 analysis carried out under subparagraph
20 (A), which shall include—

21 (I) a detailed explanation of the
22 strategy and methodology used to con-
23 duct the study and analysis, including
24 any force sizing and shaping con-
25 structs, scenarios, and assumptions

1 used as part of such study and anal-
2 ysis; and

3 (II) assessed operational risk
4 based on the Chairman of the Joint
5 Chiefs of Staff risk management clas-
6 sifications set forth the most recent
7 version of the Chairman of the Joint
8 Chiefs of Staff Manual 3105.01A, ti-
9 tled “Joint Risk Analysis Method-
10 ology”; and

11 (iii) provide a briefing to the commit-
12 tees on such results.

13 (2) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection, the term
14 “covered aircraft” means the AV-8B, F/A-18C/D, E/
15 A-18G, F/A-18E/F, F-35B/C, and F/A-XX.

