

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-**

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Page 386, after line 19, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 6 \_\_ . DEVIATION AUTHORITY FOR SPACE SUPPORT**  
2 **VEHICLES.**

3 (a) ISSUANCE OF LETTER OF DEVIATION AUTHOR-  
4 ITY.—Not later than 60 days after receipt of a request  
5 for a letter of deviation authority (in accordance with sec-  
6 tion 91.319(h) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations  
7 or any similar successor regulation) for the flight of a  
8 space support vehicle, to the extent consistent with main-  
9 taining the public health and safety and the safety of prop-  
10 erty, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Adminis-  
11 tration shall issue such letter of deviation authority.

12 (b) CONDITIONS FOR CARRYING PASSENGERS FOR  
13 HIRE.—The holder of a letter of deviation authority de-  
14 scribed in subsection (a) may use a space support vehicle  
15 to carry an individual on a flight for hire only if—

16 (1) the holder informs the individual in writing  
17 about the risks of such flight, including the safety  
18 record of the vehicle type and the safety record of  
19 the operator;

1           (2) the holder informs the individual in writing,  
2           prior to receiving any compensation for carrying the  
3           individual, that the United States Government has  
4           not certified the vehicle as safe for carrying pas-  
5           sengers, and that the flight is not licensed by the  
6           United States Government as a space launch; and

7           (3) the individual provides written informed  
8           consent to participate in the flight and written cer-  
9           tification of compliance with any regulations promul-  
10          gated by the Administrator in accordance with this  
11          section.

12          (c) LIMITATION.—Operations conducted under the  
13          deviation authority described in subsection (a) shall not  
14          be available for hire and otherwise authorized by the Ad-  
15          ministrator.

16          (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17                (1) SPACE FLIGHT PARTICIPANT CANDIDATE.—  
18                The term “space flight participant candidate” means  
19                an individual engaged in training, evaluation, screen-  
20                ing, orientation, or other activities related to space  
21                flight.

22                (2) SPACE SUPPORT VEHICLE.—The term  
23                “space support vehicle” means an experimental air-  
24                craft operating at a spaceport licensed by the Fed-

1       eral Aviation Administration that simulates space  
2       flight conditions in support of—

3               (A) training for space flight participants or  
4       crew (as such terms are defined in section  
5       50902 of title 51, United States Code) or space  
6       flight participant candidates; or

7               (B) testing of space flight hardware.

