

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 119–8

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Add at the end of division E the following:

1 **TITLE LII—REPORTING ON**
2 **BASIC TRAINING PROGRAMS**
3 **OF THE DEPARTMENT OF**
4 **HOMELAND SECURITY**

5 **SEC. 5201. REPORTING ON BASIC TRAINING PROGRAMS OF**
6 **THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.**

7 (a) ANNUAL REPORTING.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after
9 the date of the enactment of this Act and annually
10 thereafter, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall
11 report to the relevant congressional committees on
12 the accreditation status for each basic training pro-
13 gram within the Department of Homeland Security
14 in existence as of such date of enactment, including
15 information relating to the following:

16 (A) The date on which each such program
17 achieved initial accreditation, or in the case of
18 a program that is not currently accredited, the
19 reasons for not obtaining or maintaining ac-
20 creditation, the activities, if any, taken to

1 achieve accreditation, and an anticipated
2 timeline for accreditation of such program.

3 (B) The date each such program most re-
4 cently received accreditation or reaccreditation,
5 if applicable.

6 (C) Each such program's anticipated ac-
7 creditation or next reaccreditation date.

8 (D) The identification, including name, of
9 the accreditation manager for each such pro-
10 gram.

11 (2) TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIRE-
12 MENT.—Annual reports under paragraph (1) shall
13 terminate when all basic training programs of the
14 Department of Homeland Security referred to in
15 such paragraph are accredited.

16 (b) LAPSE IN ACCREDITATION.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—If a basic training program
18 of the Department of Homeland Security loses ac-
19 creditation, the head of the relevant component of
20 the Department shall notify the Secretary of Home-
21 land Security not later than 30 days after such loss.

22 (2) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 30
23 days after receiving a notification pursuant to para-
24 graph (1), the Secretary of Homeland Security shall
25 notify the relevant congressional committees of the

1 lapse in accreditation at issue, the reason for such
2 lapse, and the activities underway and planned to re-
3 gain accreditation.

4 (c) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.—The Under
5 Secretary for Science and Technology of the Department
6 of Homeland Security shall carry out research and devel-
7 opment of systems and technologies to enhance access to
8 training offered by the Federal Law Enforcement Train-
9 ing Centers to State, local, Tribal, and territorial law en-
10 forcement, with particular attention to law enforcement in
11 rural and remote communities, for the purpose of enhanc-
12 ing domestic preparedness for and collective response to
13 terrorism and other homeland security threats.

14 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 (1) ACCREDITATION.—The term “accredita-
16 tion” means the recognition by a board that a basic
17 training program is administered, developed, and de-
18 livered according to an applicable set of standards.

19 (2) ACCREDITATION MANAGER.—The term “ac-
20 creditation manager” means the individual assigned
21 by the component of the Department of Homeland
22 Security to manage accreditation activities for a
23 basic training program.

24 (3) BASIC TRAINING PROGRAM.—The term
25 “basic training program” means an entry level pro-

1 gram of the Department of Homeland Security that
2 is transitional to law enforcement or law enforce-
3 ment support, provides training on critical com-
4 petencies and responsibilities, and is typically a re-
5 quirement for appointment to a law enforcement or
6 law enforcement support job series.

7 (4) REACCREDITATION.—The term “reaccredi-
8 tation” means the assessment of a basic training
9 program after initial accreditation to ensure the con-
10 tinued compliance with an applicable set of stand-
11 ards.

12 (5) RELEVANT CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
13 TEES.—The term “relevant congressional commit-
14 tees” means the Committee on Homeland Security
15 and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of
16 Representatives and the Committee on Homeland
17 Security and Governmental Affairs and the Com-
18 mittee of the Judiciary of the Senate.

