

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117–  
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At the end of title LX, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 60\_\_\_ . NATIONAL ACADEMIES SCIENCE, TECH-**  
2 **NOLOGY, AND SECURITY ROUNDTABLE.**

3 Section 1746(b) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
4 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 42  
5 U.S.C. 6601 note) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking “involving  
7 federally funded research and development” and in-  
8 serting “facing the United States research enter-  
9 prise”;

10 (2) by redesignating paragraph (5) as para-  
11 graph (6);

12 (3) by inserting after paragraph (4) the fol-  
13 lowing new paragraph:

14 “(5) AD-HOC COMMITTEE.—

15 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The roundtable shall  
16 convene an ad-hoc committee to study and

1           make recommendations on research security  
2           issues consistent with paragraph (3).

3           “(B) STUDY AND REPORT.—Not later than  
4           180 days after the first meeting of the ad-hoc  
5           committee convened under subparagraph (A),  
6           such committee shall—

7                   “(i) complete a fast-track consensus  
8                   study on the feasibility of establishing an  
9                   independent, non-profit entity (referred to  
10                  in this paragraph as the ‘entity’) to further  
11                  protect the United States research enter-  
12                  prise against foreign interference, theft,  
13                  and espionage; and

14                   “(ii) submit to the relevant commit-  
15                  tees a report on the results of the study.

16           “(C) ELEMENTS.—The report required  
17           under subparagraph (B)(ii) shall include anal-  
18           ysis and recommendations with respect to each  
19           of the following:

20                   “(i) The organizational structure of  
21                  the entity.

22                   “(ii) The appropriate relationship be-  
23                  tween the entity and the Federal govern-  
24                  ment, including the interagency working  
25                  group established under subsection (a).

1                   “(iii) The appropriate level of finan-  
2                   cial resources needed to establish the enti-  
3                   ty.

4                   “(iv) A self-sustaining funding model  
5                   for the entity.

6                   “(v) Whether and how the entity  
7                   can—

8                                 “(I) enable informed, proactive,  
9                                 and unbiased risk assessment for and  
10                                by the United States research enter-  
11                               prise;

12                               “(II) in coordination with the  
13                               interagency working group established  
14                               under subsection (a), the Federal  
15                               agencies that comprise the working  
16                               group, and the roundtable under this  
17                               subsection, promote actionable and  
18                               timely information sharing among the  
19                               United States research enterprise  
20                               about foreign interference, theft, and  
21                               espionage of research and develop-  
22                               ment;

23                               “(III) provide non-punitive, non-  
24                               legally binding advice to the United  
25                               States research enterprise, including

1           frontline researchers, about foreign in-  
2           ference, theft, and espionage including  
3           advice with respect to risks associated  
4           with international partnerships and  
5           foreign talent recruitment programs;

6                       “(IV) secure the trust and active  
7           participation of the United States re-  
8           search enterprise;

9                       “(V) regularly conduct open-  
10          source intelligence analysis to provide  
11          actionable and timely unclassified in-  
12          formation to the United States re-  
13          search enterprise about foreign inter-  
14          ference, theft, and espionage, includ-  
15          ing analysis to be tailored specifically  
16          for the purpose of assisting frontline  
17          researchers in making security-in-  
18          formed decisions; and

19                      “(VI) offer products and services  
20          to the United States research enter-  
21          prise to help inform research security  
22          efforts such as analyses of global re-  
23          search and development trends, advice  
24          regarding intellectual property pro-  
25          duction and protection, market anal-

1                   yses, and risk assessment for day-to-  
2                   day activities such as collaboration,  
3                   travel, and hiring.

4                   “(vi) Such other information and rec-  
5                   ommendations as the committee considers  
6                   necessary to ensure that the entity oper-  
7                   ates effectively.”; and

8                   (4) in paragraph (6), as so redesignated, by  
9                   striking “2024” and inserting “2025”.

