

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-

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OFFERED BY MR. SANFORD OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Page 126, after line 12, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 516. REQUIREMENT FOR IDENTICAL PHYSICAL PER-**
2 **FORMANCE STANDARDS FOR MILITARY OC-**
3 **CUPATIONAL SPECIALTIES, BASIC TRAINING,**
4 **AND RECRUITING.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall
6 ensure that the gender-neutral occupational standards de-
7 veloped by the Secretaries of the military departments
8 pursuant to section 543 of the National Defense Author-
9 ization Act for Fiscal Year 1994 (Public Law 103-160;
10 10 U.S.C. 113 note), as amended by section 523 of the
11 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014
12 (Public Law 113-66; 127 Stat. 756)—

13 (1) impose identical physical performance
14 standards;

15 (2) are also applied uniformly regardless of
16 race, national origin, or sexual orientation; and

1 (3) are used in basic training and in the re-
2 cruitment of persons for enlistment or appointment
3 in the Armed Forces.

4 (b) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 180
5 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
6 retary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report that
7 either—

8 (1) certifies compliance of the Department of
9 Defense with subsection (a); or

10 (2) explains, if physical performance standards
11 are not identical, as required by subsection (a)(1),
12 why the standards are not identical, including at
13 basic training.

