

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 118–10
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Add at the end of subtitle C of title XVIII the following:

1 **SEC. 1859. STUDY OF RISK OF SPACE DEBRIS IMPACTING A**
2 **METROPOLITAN AREA.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Home-
5 land Security, acting through the Administrator of the
6 Federal Emergency Management Agency, in consultation
7 with the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and
8 Space Administration and the Secretary of Defense, shall
9 carry out a study to examine the risk of space debris im-
10 pacting a metropolitan area within the next 25 years.

11 (b) CONTENTS.—The study required under sub-
12 section (a) shall address the following:

13 (1) In the next 25 years, the probability of a
14 space-based, manmade object impacting a populated
15 area exceeding 1 million inhabitants.

16 (2) The ability to predict such an incident.

17 (3) The ability to warn the affected area, in-
18 cluding regarding the amount of time needed to do
19 so.

1 (4) Would an evacuation process be possible,
2 and if so, how such would be carried out.

3 (5) How could relief via a Federal response be
4 provided, and an identification of which agencies
5 would be tasked with so responding.

6 (6) Options to defend against an imminent im-
7 pact.

8 (c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 28
9 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
10 Secretary of Homeland Security shall submit to the Com-
11 mittee on Homeland Security, the Committee on Science,
12 Space, and Technology, the Committee on Armed Services,
13 and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the
14 House of Representatives and the Committee on Home-
15 land Security and Governmental Affairs, the Committee
16 on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and the Com-
17 mittee on Armed Services of the Senate a report con-
18 taining the results of the study required under subsection
19 (a).

