AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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OFFERED BY MR. SCHIFF OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of subtitle G of title XII, add the following (and conform the table of contents accordingly):

SEC. 1269. AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF UNITED STATES
ARMED FORCES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The President is authorized to use the Armed Forces of the United States against the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (“ISIL”).

(b) GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITATION.—The authority granted in subsection (a) shall be confined to the territory of the Republic of Iraq and the Syrian Arab Republic. The limitation of this subsection shall not apply to the Armed Forces of the United States engaged in training of indigenous Syrian or regional military forces for the purpose of combating ISIL.

(c) NO AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF GROUND FORCES IN COMBAT.—The authority granted in subsection (a) does not include the authority for the deployment of ground forces in a combat role. For purposes of this subsection, “ground forces in a combat role” does not include special operations forces or other forces that may
be deployed in a training, advisory, search and rescue, or intelligence capacity.

(d) TERMINATION.—The authority granted in subsection (a) shall terminate on the date that is three years after the date of the enactment of this section.

(e) WAR POWERS RESOLUTION REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) SPECIFIC STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION.—Consistent with section 8(a)(1) of the War Powers Resolution, the Congress declares that this section is intended to constitute specific statutory authorization within the meaning of section 5(b) of the War Powers Resolution.

(2) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—Nothing in this section supersedes any requirement of the War Powers Resolution.

(f) REPEAL OF PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR USE OF UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.—

(1) REPEAL.—The following provisions of law are hereby repealed:


(2) Effective Date.—The repeal made by paragraph (1) shall be effective as of the date that is three years after the date of the enactment of this section.

(g) Reports to Congress.—

(1) In General.—The President shall, at least once every 60 days after the date of the enactment of this section, transmit to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate a report on matters relevant to this section, including actions taken pursuant to the exercise of authority granted under this section and the status of planning for efforts that are expected to be required over the next 60 days.

(2) Consolidation.—To the extent that the transmission of any report required under paragraph (1) coincides with the transmissions of any other report on matters relevant to this section otherwise required to be transmitted to Congress pursuant to the reporting requirements of the War Powers Resolution, all such reports may be transmitted as a single consolidated report to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate.