

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT****119–8****OFFERED BY MR. AUSTIN SCOTT OF GEORGIA**

At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title XXVIII, insert the following new section:

**1 SEC. 28\_\_\_\_. ESTABLISHMENT OF AIR FORCE AND SPACE**  
**2 FORCE MUSEUM SYSTEM.**

**3** Chapter 979 of title 10, United States Code, is  
**4** amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**5 “§ 9784. Establishment of Air Force and Space Force**  
**6 Museum System**

**7** “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force  
**8** shall support a system of official Air Force and Space  
**9** Force museums within the Department of the Air Force.  
**10** Such system shall include the National Museum of the  
**11** United States Air Force and may contain other museums  
**12** honoring individual installations, units, and branches, as  
**13** designated by the Secretary of the Air Force, that meet  
**14** criteria established under subsection (b).

**15** “(b) CRITERIA FOR DESIGNATION.—The Secretary of  
**16** the Air Force shall establish criteria for designating muse-  
**17** ums of subsection (a) for inclusion in the Air Force and  
**18** Space Force museum system. Such criteria shall include—

1           “(1) historical significance to Air Force and  
2           Space Force operations, technology, or personnel;

3           “(2) public accessibility and educational out-  
4           reach programs; and

5           “(3) alignment with the mission of the Air  
6           Force and Space Force to preserve the heritage of  
7           the Air Force and Space Force.

8           “(c) CRITERIA FOR CLOSURE.—The Secretary of the  
9           Air Force shall establish criteria for closing museums  
10          within the Air Force and Space Force museum system.  
11          If the Secretary decides to close a museum in such system,  
12          the Secretary shall submit to Congress, not later than 90  
13          days before the date on which the museum closes, notice  
14          that includes—

15               “(1) a plan for the preservation, storage, or al-  
16               ternate display of historical collections contained in  
17               the museum;

18               “(2) how any issues relating to museum per-  
19               sonnel will be resolved;

20               “(3) an identification of any efforts to maintain  
21               museum operations through public-private partner-  
22               ships; and

23               “(4) an analysis of the cost to transport, con-  
24               solidate, and preserve the historical collections con-  
25               tained in the museum.

1       “(d) FUNDING AND SUPPORT.—Consistent with ap-  
2 plicable law, the Secretary may enter into partnerships,  
3 including with nonprofit organizations, to enhance the fi-  
4 nancial sustainability and public engagement of the muse-  
5 ums in the Air Force and Space Force museum system.”.

