AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-22

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Page 203, line 1, strike “REPORT REQUIRED” and insert “REPORT ON FOREIGN MALIGN INFLUENCE RESPONSE”.

Page 204, after line 10, insert the following new subsection:

(c) REPORT ON ABILITY TO IDENTIFY FOREIGN INFLUENCE EFFORTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National Intelligence shall submit to the congressional intelligence committees a report concerning the ability of the intelligence community to—

(A) identify foreign influence efforts aimed at sowing discord or interfering, or both, in the political processes of the United States; and

(B) report such efforts to appropriate authorities.
(2) CONTENTS.—The report under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A description of the current level of ongoing communication and coordination across the intelligence community and law enforcement, including the Department of Justice, the Department of State, the Department of Homeland Security, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with respect to combating foreign influence efforts described in subparagraph (A) of such paragraph.

(B) Identification of the offices or components of the departments and agencies of the Federal Government that are tasked with any responsibility with respect to combating such foreign influence efforts.

(C) Identification of the number of personnel within each element of the intelligence community and other elements of the Federal Government that are focused on combating such foreign influence efforts, whether on a temporary or permanent basis.

(D) Identification of the legal authorities that are most relevant to combating such foreign influence efforts, including—
(i) which such legal authorities pose challenges or barriers to effectively combat such foreign influence efforts and a description of the reasons for such challenges or barriers; and

(ii) which such legal authorities pose challenges or barriers with respect to elements of the intelligence community and other elements of the Federal Government working together to combat such foreign influence efforts and a description of the reasons for such challenges or barriers.

(E) A description of the current level of communication or engagement between the intelligence community and private internet-platforms or social media companies with respect to combating such foreign influence efforts.

(F) A description of the additional resources the Director determines is necessary to effectively identify such foreign influence efforts, and the roles and responsibilities across the intelligence community that would best support the shared objective of identifying such foreign influence efforts.
(G) Any other matters the Director determines appropriate.

(3) Form.—The report under paragraph (1) may be submitted in classified form.