

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-**

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Add at the end of title LX of division E the following:

**1 SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. SUPPORT FOR AFGHAN SPECIAL IMMIGRANT**  
**2 VISA AND REFUGEE APPLICANTS .**

**3 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—**It is the sense of Con-  
**4 gress** that the United States should increase support for  
**5 nationals** of Afghanistan who aided the United States mis-  
**6 sion** in Afghanistan during the past twenty years and are  
**7 now** under threat from the Taliban, specifically special im-  
**8 migrant** visa applicants who are nationals of Afghanistan  
**9 and** referrals of nationals of Afghanistan to the United  
**10 States** Refugee Admissions Program, including through  
**11 the** Priority 2 Designation for nationals of Afghanistan,  
**12 who** remain in Afghanistan or are in third countries, in-  
**13 cluding** by—

**14 (1)** facilitating the rapid departure of such indi-  
**15 viduals** from Afghanistan, including by providing  
**16 transportation** out of Afghanistan, engaging with the  
**17 governments** of relevant countries to better facilitate  
**18 land** border crossings, and disseminating more fre-

1       quent information updates to such individuals and  
2       relevant nongovernmental organizations;

3           (2) identifying or establishing sufficient loca-  
4       tions outside of Afghanistan that will accept such in-  
5       dividuals during application processing; and

6           (3) further surging capacity to better support  
7       such individuals and reduce their application proc-  
8       essing times, while ensuring strict and necessary se-  
9       curity vetting, including, to the extent practicable,  
10      enabling refugee referrals to initiate application  
11      processes while still in Afghanistan.

12      (b) STRATEGY AND REPORTING.—The Secretary of  
13      State, in coordination with the Secretary of Homeland Se-  
14      curity and the heads of other relevant Federal depart-  
15      ments and agencies, shall submit to the committees on  
16      Foreign Affairs, Judiciary, Homeland Security, and  
17      Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the  
18      committees on Foreign Relations, Judiciary, Homeland  
19      Security and Governmental Affairs, and Armed Services  
20      of the Senate the following:

21           (1) Not later than 60 days after the date of the  
22      enactment of this Act, a strategy to safely process  
23      Afghans abroad with pending special immigrant visa  
24      applications and refugee referrals, with a classified

1 annex if necessary, which shall include steps by the  
2 United States Government to do the following:

3 (A) Communicate more processing infor-  
4 mation and relevant updates to such individuals  
5 and to relevant nongovernmental organizations  
6 through secure and accessible means on a more  
7 frequent basis.

8 (B) Provide evacuation information and  
9 transportation out of Afghanistan for bona fide  
10 individuals.

11 (C) Identify or establish sufficient loca-  
12 tions outside of Afghanistan that will accept  
13 such individuals during application processing.

14 (D) Further surge capacity to better sup-  
15 port such individuals and reduce their applica-  
16 tion processing times, while ensuring strict and  
17 necessary security vetting, including, to the ex-  
18 tent practicable, enabling refugee referrals to  
19 initiate application processes while still in Af-  
20 ghanistan.

21 (2) Not later than 60 days after the date of the  
22 enactment of this Act, and every month thereafter  
23 until December 31, 2022, a report, with a classified  
24 annex if necessary, that includes the following:

1 (A) The number of nationals of Afghani-  
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3 (i) referred to the United States Ref-  
4 ugee Admissions Program through Priority  
5 1 and Priority 2 referrals, including wheth-  
6 er such individuals remain in Afghanistan  
7 or outside Afghanistan, and the number of  
8 refugee applications for such individuals  
9 that are approved, denied, and pending;  
10 and

11 (ii) who have pending special immi-  
12 grant visa applications who remain in Af-  
13 ghanistan or in a third country,  
14 disaggregated by the special immigrant  
15 visa processing steps completed with re-  
16 spect to such individuals.

17 (B) Steps taken to implement each element  
18 of the strategy described in paragraph (1).

