

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-

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At the end of division B, add the following:

1 **Subtitle G—Next-generation Com-**
2 **bat Vehicle and Network Prior-**
3 **ities of the Army Futures Com-**
4 **mand**

5 **SEC. 10671. SUPPORT FOR NEXT-GENERATION COMBAT VE-**
6 **HICLE.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Commerce, pur-
8 suant to the authority provided under section 9902(a) of
9 the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Au-
10 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–
11 283), shall allocate funds to—

12 (1) support the next-generation combat vehicle
13 and mobile and expeditionary network priorities of
14 the Army Futures Command;

15 (2) facilitate strategic venture investments into
16 domestic micro-electronic and microchip manufac-
17 turing and innovation in support of ground vehicle
18 systems capabilities and automotive production; and

1 (3) support investment in domestic microelec-
2 tronic prototyping, assembly, packaging, and testing
3 capacity.

4 (b) COORDINATION WITH COMMERCIAL INDUS-
5 TRIES.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary of
6 Commerce shall allocate a portion of funds to support en-
7 tities and capabilities that serve the needs of the commer-
8 cial automotive industry, manufacturing industries, and
9 other commercial industries critical to the defense innova-
10 tion base to ensure that American equipment remains
11 competitive with that of near peer adversaries.

12 (c) INDUSTRIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—In recom-
13 mending members of the Industrial Advisory Committee
14 established under 9906(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thorn-
15 berry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
16 2021 (Public Law 116–283) to the Secretary of Com-
17 merce, the Secretary of Defense shall consult with the
18 Army Venture Capital Initiative, Army Futures Com-
19 mand, AFWERX, the Defense Innovation Unit, the Joint
20 Artificial Intelligence Center, NavalX, and the United
21 States Special Operations Command to ensure that the
22 perspectives of national security focused venture capital
23 innovators are incorporated into the national strategy on
24 microelectronics research.

1 (d) INVESTMENT INITIATIVE.—In carrying out sub-
2 section (a), the Secretary of Commerce, in coordination
3 with the Secretary of the Army and the Army Venture
4 Capital Initiative, shall establish and carry out an invest-
5 ment initiative to encourage innovation and capacity in the
6 domestic micro-electronics industrial base. Such initiative
7 shall be treated as an investment fund required under sec-
8 tion 9906(e)(2)(B) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry
9 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021
10 (Public Law 116–283).

11 (e) NATIONAL ADVANCED PACKAGING MANUFAC-
12 TURING PROGRAM.—In carrying out subsection (a), the
13 Secretary of Commerce shall coordinate with the Director
14 of the National Institute of Standards and Technology
15 and the Army Venture Capital Initiative to ensure that
16 the National Advanced Packaging Manufacturing Pro-
17 gram described in 9906(d) of the William M. (Mac)
18 Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal
19 Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283) takes the needs of Army
20 Futures Command (including the Ground Vehicle Systems
21 Center) and the commercial automotive industry into ac-
22 count particularly with respect to investments—

23 (1) in domestic capability and capacity for the
24 advanced testing, assembly, and packaging of semi-
25 conductors: and

1 (2) that reduce American reliance on foreign
2 entities of concern.

3 (f) ARMY VENTURE CAPITAL INITIATIVE DE-
4 FINED.—In this section, the term Army Venture Capital
5 Initiative means the venture capital investment corpora-
6 tion established pursuant to section 8150 of the Depart-
7 ment of Defense Appropriations Act, 2002 (division A of
8 Public Law 107–117).

