

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-**

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**OFFERED BY MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY**

At the end of subtitle A of title XVII, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 17\_\_ . PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL CONTRACTS AND**  
2 **AGREEMENTS WITH HONG KONG ECONOMIC**  
3 **AND TRADE OFFICES.**

4 (a) PROHIBITION.—The head of a Federal agency  
5 may not enter into, renew, extend, or otherwise carry out  
6 any contract or agreement with—

7 (1) the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Of-  
8 fices; or

9 (2) any entity acting on behalf of, at the direc-  
10 tion of, or for the benefit of the Hong Kong Eco-  
11 nomic and Trade Offices.

12 (b) PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF FUNDS.—Except  
13 as provided in subsection (c)(1), no funds authorized to  
14 be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available  
15 for any Federal agency may be obligated or expended to  
16 enter into, renew, extend, administer, perform, or other-  
17 wise carry out any contract or agreement prohibited by  
18 subsection (a).

1 (c) TERMINATION OF EXISTING CONTRACTS AND  
2 AGREEMENTS.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after  
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the head of  
5 each Federal agency shall terminate any contract or  
6 agreement in violation of subsection (a) entered into  
7 before the date of the enactment of this Act.

8 (2) WIND-DOWN.—The head of a Federal agen-  
9 cy may obligate or expend funds during the 90 day  
10 period beginning on the date of the enactment of  
11 this Act, if necessary, in order to terminate or wind  
12 down a contract or agreement terminated under this  
13 subsection.

14 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 (1) The term “contract or agreement” means  
16 any contract, grant, cooperative agreement, memo-  
17 randum of understanding, partnership, sponsorship,  
18 cost-sharing arrangement, event agreement, ex-  
19 change agreement, or other agreement or arrange-  
20 ment, whether formal or informal and whether or  
21 not legally binding, including any such contract or  
22 agreement to promote tourism, culture, trade, in-  
23 vestment, business, or other matters relating to  
24 Hong Kong.

1           (2) The term “Federal agency” means any ex-  
2           ecutive agency, as that term is defined in section  
3           133 of title 41, United States Code.

4           (3) The term “Hong Kong Economic and  
5           Trade Offices” means Hong Kong’s official economic  
6           and trade missions in the United States.

