AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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OFFERED BY MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON

Page 167, after line 8, insert the following new section:

SEC. 1407. OFFICE OF FREIGHT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 102 is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection (i); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (g) the following:

“(h) OFFICE OF FREIGHT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.—

“(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within the Office of the Secretary an Office of Freight Planning and Development. The Office shall—

“(A) coordinate investment of Federal funding to improve the efficiency of the national transportation system to move freight consistent with the policy and objectives of section 313;
“(B) facilitate communication among government, public, and private freight transportation stakeholders;
“(C) support the Secretary in the development of the National Freight Transportation Strategic Plan; and
“(D) carry out other duties, as prescribed by the Secretary.
“(2) ORGANIZATION.—The head of the Office shall be the Assistant Secretary of Freight Planning and Development.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—
(1) Section 102(e) is amended by striking “4” and inserting “5”.
(2) Section 5315 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking “(4)” in the item relating to Assistant Secretaries of Transportation and inserting “(5)”.