

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

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At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 2___ . ESTABLISHMENT OF CAPSTONE CHALLENGE**
2 **PROGRAM.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall es-
4 tablish and carry out a capstone challenge program for
5 micro-businesses focusing on existing and emerging mod-
6 eling and simulation capability areas.

7 (b) FUNDING.—Of the funds authorized to be appro-
8 priated in section 201 for research, development, test, and
9 evaluation, Navy, as set forth in the corresponding fund-
10 ing table in section 4201, such sums as may be necessary
11 are to be made available for the program required under
12 subsection (a).

13 (c) DEFINITIONS.— In this section:

14 (1) The term “micro-business” means any busi-
15 ness operated by less than 10 people.

16 (2) The term “capstone challenge program”
17 means a prototype or project that uses modeling and
18 simulation—

1 (A) to accelerate the adoption of new capa-
2 bilities or the optimization of existing capabili-
3 ties;

4 (B) to minimize the risk of adopting un-
5 suitable solutions; and

6 (C) to improve the range and quality of so-
7 lutions by considering diverse perspectives.

