

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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At the end of title XII add the following:

1 **SEC. 12 ____. TRANSPARENCY OF RECORDS OF COMMODITY**
2 **BOARDS.**

3 Section 501 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement
4 and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7401) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsections (d) through (f)
6 as subsections (e) through (g);

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(d) TRANSPARENCY OF RECORDS OF COMMODITY
10 BOARDS.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—For each order issued by
12 the Secretary under a commodity promotion law, the
13 Secretary shall publish on the website of the Depart-
14 ment of Agriculture the following information:

15 “(A) The reports of audits submitted by
16 each commodity board to the Secretary for each
17 fiscal year pursuant to section 515(g)(2).

1 “(B) The activities and budgets of each
2 commodity board approved by the Secretary for
3 each fiscal year.

4 “(C) The results of each periodic inde-
5 pendent evaluation described in subsection (c).

6 “(2) PUBLICATION TIMELINE.—In carrying out
7 paragraph (1), the Secretary shall—

8 “(A) not later than 180 days after the date
9 of enactment of this subsection, publish the in-
10 formation described in such paragraph with re-
11 spect to the 5 full fiscal years preceding such
12 date of enactment; and

13 “(B) not later than 365 days after the end
14 of any subsequent fiscal year, publish the infor-
15 mation described in such paragraph with re-
16 spect to such fiscal year.”; and

17 (3) in subsection (f)(4) (as so redesignated), by
18 striking “subsection (f)” and inserting “subsection
19 (g)”.

