AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116– 19

OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of subtitle C of title V, add the following:

1 SEC. 530. NONDISCRIMINATION WITH RESPECT TO SERVICE

2 IN THE ARMED FORCES.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 37 of title 10, United
4 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 651 the
5 following new section:

6 "§651a. Members: nondiscrimination

"(a) STANDARDS FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICE.— 7 Any qualifications established or applied for eligibility for 8 9 service in an armed force shall take into account only the 10 ability of an individual to meet gender-neutral occupational standards for military service generally and the 11 12 military occupational specialty concerned in particular, and may not include any criteria relating to the race, 13 color, national origin, religion, or sex (including gender 14 identity or sexual orientation) of an individual. 15

16 "(b) EQUALITY OF TREATMENT IN SERVICE.—Any
17 personnel policy developed or implemented by the Depart18 ment of Defense with respect to members of the armed
19 forces shall ensure equality of treatment and opportunity

for all persons in the armed forces, without regard to race,
 color, national origin, religion, and sex (including gender
 identity and sexual orientation).

4 "(c) GENDER IDENTITY DEFINED.—In this section, 5 the term 'gender identity' means the gender-related iden-6 tity, appearance, mannerisms, or other gender-related 7 characteristics of an individual, regardless of the individ-8 ual's designated sex at birth.".

9 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections 10 at the beginning of chapter 37 of such title is amended 11 by inserting after the item relating to section 651 the fol-12 lowing new item:

"651a. Members: nondiscrimination.".

\times