AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT FOR H.R. 4435

OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of title IX, insert the following new section:

1SEC. 924. PUBLIC RELEASE BY INSPECTORS GENERAL OF2REPORTS OF MISCONDUCT.

3 (a) RELEASE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE DE4 PARTMENT OF DEFENSE ADMINISTRATIVE MISCONDUCT
5 REPORTS.—Section 141 of title 10, United States Code,
6 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub7 section:

8 "(c)(1) Within 60 days after issuing a final report, 9 the Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall 10 publicly release any reports of administrative investiga-11 tions that confirm misconduct, including violations of Federal law and violations of policies of the Department of 12 13 Defense, of any member of the Senior Executive Service, political appointee, or commissioned officer in the Armed 14 15 Forces in pay grades O-6 or above. In releasing the reports, the Inspector General shall ensure that information 16 that would be protected under section 552 of title 5 (com-17 18 monly known as the 'Freedom of Information Act'), sec $\mathbf{2}$

tion 552a of title 5 (commonly known as the 'Privacy Act
 of 1974'), or section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code
 of 1986 is not disclosed.

4 "(2) In this subsection, the term 'political appointee'
5 means any individual who is—

6 "(A) employed in a position described under
7 sections 5312 through 5316 of title 5, United States
8 Code, (relating to the Executive Schedule);

9 "(B) a limited term appointee, limited emer10 gency appointee, or noncareer appointee in the Sen11 ior Executive Service, as defined under paragraphs
12 (5), (6), and (7), respectively, of section 3132(a) of
13 title 5, United States Code; or

"(C) employed in a position of a confidential or
policy-determining character under schedule C of
subpart C of part 213 of title 5 of the Code of Federal Regulations.".

(b) RELEASE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE ARMY
ADMINISTRATIVE MISCONDUCT REPORTS.—Section 3020
of such title is amended by adding at the end the following
new subsection:

"(f)(1) Within 60 days after issuing a final report,
the Inspector General of the Army shall publicly release
any reports of administrative investigations that confirm
misconduct, including violations of Federal law and viola-

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tions of policies of the Department of Defense, of any 1 2 member of the Senior Executive Service, political appointee, or commissioned officer in the Armed Forces in 3 4 pay grades O-6 or above. In releasing the reports, the In-5 spector General shall ensure that information that would be protected under section 552 of title 5 (commonly known 6 7 as the 'Freedom of Information Act'), section 552a of title 8 5 (commonly known as the 'Privacy Act of 1974'), or sec-9 tion 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is not 10 disclosed.

11 "(2) In this subsection, the term 'political appointee'12 means any individual who is—

"(A) employed in a position described under
sections 5312 through 5316 of title 5, United States
Code, (relating to the Executive Schedule);

"(B) a limited term appointee, limited emergency appointee, or noncareer appointee in the Senior Executive Service, as defined under paragraphs
(5), (6), and (7), respectively, of section 3132(a) of
title 5, United States Code; or

"(C) employed in a position of a confidential or
policy-determining character under schedule C of
subpart C of part 213 of title 5 of the Code of Federal Regulations.".

(c) RELEASE OF NAVAL INSPECTOR GENERAL AD MINISTRATIVE MISCONDUCT REPORTS.—Section 5020 of
 such title is amended by adding at the end the following
 new subsection:

5 "(e)(1) Within 60 days after issuing a final report, the Naval Inspector General shall publicly release any re-6 7 ports of administrative investigations that confirm mis-8 conduct, including violations of Federal law and violations 9 of policies of the Department of Defense, of any member 10 of the Senior Executive Service, political appointee, or commissioned officer in the Armed Forces in pay grades 11 12 O-6 or above. In releasing the reports, the Naval Inspector General shall ensure that information that would be 13 protected under section 552 of title 5 (commonly known 14 15 as the 'Freedom of Information Act'), section 552a of title 5 (commonly known as the 'Privacy Act of 1974'), or sec-16 tion 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is not 17 18 disclosed.

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23 Code, (relating to the Executive Schedule);

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 (5), (6), and (7), respectively, of section 3132(a) of
 title 5, United States Code; or

4 "(C) employed in a position of a confidential or
5 policy-determining character under schedule C of
6 subpart C of part 213 of title 5 of the Code of Fed7 eral Regulations.".

8 (d) RELEASE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE AIR
9 FORCE ADMINISTRATIVE MISCONDUCT REPORTS.—Sec10 tion 8020 of such title is amended by adding at the end
11 the following new subsection:

12 "(f)(1) Within 60 days after issuing a final report, 13 the Inspector General of the Air Force shall publicly release any reports of administrative investigations that con-14 15 firm misconduct, including violations of Federal law and violations of policies of the Department of Defense, of any 16 member of the Senior Executive Service, political ap-17 18 pointee, or commissioned officer in the Armed Forces in 19 pay grades O-6 or above. In releasing the reports, the Inspector General shall ensure that information that would 20 21 be protected under section 552 of title 5 (commonly known 22 as the 'Freedom of Information Act'), section 552a of title 23 5 (commonly known as the 'Privacy Act of 1974'), or sec-24 tion 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is not disclosed. 25

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