

AMENDMENT TO
RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-2
OFFERED BY MS. TLAIB OF MICHIGAN

At the end of the bill, add the following new title:

1 **TITLE IX—AGENCY REPORT ON**
2 **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTE-**
3 **RIOR SPECIAL RECREATION**
4 **PERMITS BENEFITS TO ENVI-**
5 **RONMENTAL JUSTICE COM-**
6 **MUNITIES**

7 **SEC. 901. AGENCY REPORT ON DEPARTMENT OF THE INTE-**
8 **RIOR SPECIAL RECREATION PERMITS BENE-**
9 **FITS TO ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMU-**
10 **NITIES.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years following
12 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a
13 report to the Committee on Natural Resources of the
14 House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy
15 and Natural Resources of the Senate on the following:

16 (1) Estimated use of Department of the Inte-
17 rior special recreation permits by recreation service
18 providers serving environmental justice communities.

1 (2) Any national, regional, State, local, or site-
2 specific policies that facilitate public lands access for
3 recreational service providers serving environmental
4 justice communities.

5 (3) Any case studies that may provide illus-
6 trative examples of how Department of the Interior
7 special recreation permits, partnerships, or coopera-
8 tive agreements are being effectively used by land
9 managers for the purposes of providing public lands
10 access to recreation service providers serving envi-
11 ronmental justice communities.

12 (4) Identification of any barriers to public lands
13 access for recreation service providers serving envi-
14 ronmental justice communities.

15 (5) Any recommendations for agency policy, or
16 if necessary, action by Congress to encourage and
17 simplify public lands access for recreational service
18 providers serving environmental justice communities.

19 (b) VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION BY SPECIAL RECRE-
20 ATION PROVIDERS.—The Secretary—

21 (1) shall contact all current or prospective spe-
22 cial recreation providers to request a voluntary esti-
23 mation of how many user days are used by individ-
24 uals from environmental justice communities;

1 (2) shall request from recreational service pro-
2 viders and interested members of the public any
3 other information that supports the reporting re-
4 quirements in subsection (a); and

5 (3) shall not use participation or information
6 provided as a condition in approving or rejecting a
7 Department of the Interior special recreation permit.

8 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this title:

9 (1) The term “environmental justice commu-
10 nity” means a community with significant represen-
11 tation of communities of color, low-income commu-
12 nities, or Tribal and indigenous communities, that
13 experiences, or is at risk of experiencing, higher or
14 more adverse human health or environmental effects
15 than other communities.

16 (2) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary
17 of the Interior.

