

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-

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At the end of subtitle D of title V, add the following
new section:

1 **SEC. 5___ . ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND TO SUPPORT TRAIN-**
2 **ING OF ARMY CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF TRAINING FUND.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in
5 consultation with the Secretary of the Army, shall a
6 establish a fund to be known as the “Enrique
7 Roman Martinez Training Fund” (referred to in this
8 section as the “Fund”) to support the training of
9 Army criminal investigators.

10 (2) AMOUNTS IN FUND.—The Fund shall con-
11 sist of amounts appropriated or otherwise made
12 available to the Fund.

13 (3) USE OF FUND.—The Fund shall be used—

14 (A) to carry out innovative pilot programs
15 to improve the training of Army criminal inves-
16 tigators, with priority given to programs to
17 train cold case investigators and provide in-
18 struction in cold case investigatory techniques;

1 (B) to provide such investigators with spe-
2 cialized training in techniques for investigating
3 cold cases, including tradecraft and the use of
4 specialized technologies;

5 (C) to increase the number members of the
6 Armed Forces who transition to civilian posi-
7 tions as Army criminal investigators; and

8 (D) to establish joint task forces and carry
9 out joint training initiatives with State and
10 local law enforcement agencies located near
11 major military installations that focus on shar-
12 ing best practices and solving cold cases.

13 (4) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the
14 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
15 Defense shall submit to the congressional defense
16 committees a report on the progress of the Secretary
17 in implementing this subsection.

18 (5) FUNDING.—

19 (A) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-
20 TIONS.—There are authorized to be appro-
21 priated \$5,000,000 for the Fund for fiscal year
22 2024.

23 (B) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the
24 amounts set forth in the funding tables in divi-
25 sion D, the amount authorized to be appro-

1 pried in section 301 for Operations and Main-
2 tenance, Defense-wide, as specified in the re-
3 sponding funding table in section 4301, for ad-
4 ministration and service-wide activities, Office
5 of the Secretary of Defense, line 430 is hereby
6 reduced by \$5,000,000.

7 (b) ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

8 (1) REPORT ON BEST PRACTICES.—Not later
9 than 180 days after the date of the enactment of
10 this Act, the Comptroller General of the United
11 States shall submit to the congressional defense
12 committees a report on the on the status of the cur-
13 rent system for solving cold cases across the Depart-
14 ment of Defense. Such report shall include—

15 (A) an assessment of the potential benefits
16 of and challenges posed by creating a unified
17 capacity for solving cold cases across the De-
18 partment;

19 (B) identification of any duplicative or
20 overlapping functions relating to the investiga-
21 tion of cold cases across the Armed Forces;

22 (C) analysis of the effect of criminal inves-
23 tigators serving in positions classified as 1811
24 series professionals versus in the excepted or
25 competitive service; and

1 (D) any other matters that the Comp-
2 troller General determines to be relevant.

3 (2) ANNUAL COMPLIANCE REPORTS.—On an
4 annual basis each military criminal investigative or-
5 ganization of the Department of Defense shall sub-
6 mit to the congressional defense committees and the
7 Committees on the Judiciary of the House of Rep-
8 resentatives and of the Senate a report describing
9 any actions taken and results achieved in accordance
10 with the Homicide Victims’ Families’ Rights Act of
11 2021 over the year preceding the date of the report.

