

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-

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Add at the end of division F the following:

1 **SEC. 50105. TAIWAN PRECLEARANCE.**

2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
3 ings:

4 (1) U.S. Customs and Border Protection
5 Preclearance is the strategic stationing of CBP per-
6 sonnel at designated foreign locations to inspect
7 travelers prior to boarding United States-bound
8 flights, trains, ships, and ferries. With preclearance,
9 travelers bypass Customs and Border Protection and
10 Transportation Security Administration inspections
11 upon United States arrival and proceed directly to
12 their connecting flight or destination.

13 (2) The preclearance program enhances the se-
14 curity of all travelers while facilitating efficient trade
15 and travel. The program increases collaboration and
16 coordination between the United States and host
17 governments through daily interaction with local law
18 enforcement partners and other government authori-
19 ties

1 (3) More than 600 U.S. Customs and Border
2 Protection officers and specialists are stationed in
3 Aruba, The Bahamas, Bermuda, Canada, Ireland,
4 and The United Arab Emirates.

5 (4) A preclearance program at Taiwan's
6 Taoyuan International Airport (TPE) would signal
7 Taiwan's importance as a strategic security partner
8 to the United States and compliance with inter-
9 national aviation rules.

10 (5) In 2012, the United States announced Tai-
11 wan's designation for participation in the Visa Waiv-
12 er Program, which allows for Taiwanese passport
13 holders to enter and remain in the United States for
14 up to 90 days without obtaining a United States
15 visa.

16 (6) In 2017, Taiwan became the third location
17 in East Asia and the 12th nation worldwide to be
18 eligible for the Global Entry program, which allows
19 for expedited immigration and customs clearance
20 and pre-approval.

21 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
22 gress that—

23 (1) Taiwan is a steadfast partner of the United
24 States in the common pursuit of a free and open
25 Indo-Pacific region; and

1 (2) the United States should prioritize the es-
2 tablishment of preclearance facilities and other secu-
3 rity programs with allies and partners in the Indo-
4 Pacific region, including Taiwan.

5 (c) DEFINED TERM.—In this section, the term “ap-
6 propriate congressional committees” means—

7 (1) the Committee on Homeland Security and
8 Governmental Affairs of the Senate;

9 (2) the Committee on Finance of the Senate;

10 (3) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
11 Transportation of the Senate;

12 (4) the Committee on Homeland Security of the
13 House of Representatives; and

14 (5) the Committee on Ways and Means of the
15 House of Representatives.

16 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
17 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland
18 Security, in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce,
19 shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional
20 committees that—

21 (1) analyzes the feasibility and advisability for
22 the establishment of a preclearance facility in Tai-
23 wan;

1 (2) describes the plan for the establishment of
2 a preclearance facility in Taiwan or in other coun-
3 tries in the Indo-Pacific region;

4 (3) assesses the impacts that preclearance oper-
5 ations in Taiwan will have on—

6 (A) the security partnership between the
7 United States and Taiwan;

8 (B) trade between the United States and
9 Taiwan, including the impact on established
10 supply chains;

11 (C) the tourism industry in the United
12 States, including the potential impact on rev-
13 enue and tourist-related commerce;

14 (D) United States and foreign passengers
15 traveling to the United States for business-re-
16 lated activities;

17 (E) cost savings and potential market ac-
18 cess by expanding operations into the Indo-Pa-
19 cific region;

20 (F) opportunities for government-to-gov-
21 ernment collaboration available in Taiwan after
22 preclearance operations are established; and

23 (G) U.S. Customs and Border Patrol inter-
24 national and domestic port of entry staffing;
25 and

1 (4) includes country-specific information on the
2 anticipated homeland security benefits and the secu-
3 rity vulnerabilities associated with conducting
4 preclearance operations in Taiwan.

