

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119–33

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At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following:

SEC. 17 __. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING FUEL BLOCKADE OF CUBA

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

- (1) The Trump administration has imposed a de facto fuel blockade, preventing nearly all fuel from reaching Cuba, enforced through the threats of unilateral coercive measures and military force; and
- (2) U.S. measures severely restricting fuel shipments to Cuba amount to a blockade, which is widely understood as an act of war under international law. The United States Congress has not authorized the use of military force against Cuba.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

- (1) The Trump administration’s de facto fuel blockade of Cuba has contributed greatly to a grave humanitarian crisis in Cuba;
- (2) The United States should not impose or maintain a blockade against a country with which it is not at war and against which Congress has not authorized the use of force; and
- (3) The de facto fuel blockade should be ended immediately in order to avert the suffering and save the lives of innocent Cuban civilians, and to prevent a forced migration crisis.