

**AMENDMENT TO**  
**RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-36**  
**OFFERED BY MR. PFLUGER OF TEXAS**

Page 732, insert after line 3 the following:

1 **SEC. 1726. ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS ON THREATS POSED TO**  
2 **THE UNITED STATES BY TRANSNATIONAL**  
3 **CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS.**

4 (a) **REQUIREMENT.**—Not later than 180 days after  
5 the date of the enactment of this Act and annually there-  
6 after, the Director for Homeland Security Investigations  
7 of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement of the De-  
8 partment of Homeland Security, in consultation with the  
9 Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection of  
10 the Department, the Commandant of the United States  
11 Coast Guard, and the heads of other relevant Federal de-  
12 partments or agencies the Director determines appro-  
13 priate, shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-  
14 mittees assessments of threats posed to the United States  
15 by transnational criminal organizations (TCOs).

16 (b) **CONTENTS.**—Each assessment under subsection  
17 (a) shall address the following:

18 (1) The most significant TCOs active in and  
19 outside of the United States, including along the

1 southwest and northern borders, and including the  
2 organizational structure, characteristics, and areas  
3 of influence within the United States of each such  
4 TCO.

5 (2) The drug smuggling trends used by TCOs  
6 to transport illicit drugs entering the United States,  
7 including information on seizures, investigations,  
8 and drug purity and potency levels.

9 (3) The role organized violent gangs have work-  
10 ing with TCOs in domestic drug trafficking.

11 (4) The money laundering activities used by  
12 TCOs to generate proceeds through the sale of illicit  
13 drugs in the United States.

14 (5) Information about the most widely traf-  
15 ficked drugs in the United States, including illicit  
16 opioids, heroin, methamphetamine, and new  
17 psychoactive substances, including regarding their  
18 availability, consumption, and overdose related  
19 deaths, production and cultivation, transportation,  
20 and distribution.

21 (6) A predictive outlook regarding drug traf-  
22 ficking and drug-related trends and activities by  
23 TCOs.

24 (7) Any other matters the Director for Home-  
25 land Security Investigations determines relevant.

1 (b) FORM.—Each assessment under subsection (a)  
2 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include  
3 a classified annex only for the protection of intelligence  
4 sources and methods relating to the matters contained in  
5 each such assessment. The Director for Homeland Secu-  
6 rity Investigations shall post on a publicly available  
7 website of Homeland Security Investigations the unclassi-  
8 fied portion of each such assessment.

9 (c) BRIEFING.—

10 (1) BRIEFING.—The Director for Homeland Se-  
11 curity Investigations shall annually brief the appro-  
12 priate congressional committees regarding each as-  
13 sessment under subsection (a). The head of any  
14 other relevant Federal department or agency shall  
15 accompany the Director for any such briefing if any  
16 such committee, in consultation with the Director,  
17 determines such is appropriate.

18 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—  
19 In this section, the term “appropriate congressional com-  
20 mittees” means the Committee on Homeland Security and  
21 the Committee on Judiciary of the House of Representa-  
22 tives and the Committee on Homeland Security and Gov-  
23 ernmental Affairs and the Committee on the Judiciary of  
24 the Senate.

