

AMENDMENT TO DIVISION C OF RULES
COMMITTEE PRINT 117-55
(ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND
RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS DIVISION)
OFFERED BY MR. VALADAO OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of title V of division C, before the short title, insert the following:

1 SEC. _____. The Bureau of Reclamation shall provide
2 the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
3 resentatives a justification in writing within 30 days after
4 the enactment of the Act regarding the decision to reini-
5 tiate consultation on the Long-Term Coordinated Oper-
6 ation of the Central Valley Project and State Water
7 Project. The report shall include a detailed explanation of
8 why the Biological Opinion issued by the National Marine
9 Fisheries Service on October 21, 2019, and the Biological
10 Opinion issued by the United States Fish and Wildlife
11 Service on October 21, 2019, are inadequate to avoid jeop-
12 ardizing the continued existence of any listed species or
13 destroying or adversely modifying designated critical habi-
14 tat of any listed species. Furthermore, the report shall
15 identify the scientific and commercial data reviewed by the
16 Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of the Interior

1 and shall articulate a rational connection between those
2 data and the conclusion that operations of the projects
3 consistent with the 2019 biological opinions would jeop-
4 ardize the continued existence of a listed species or would
5 destroy or adversely modify designated critical habitat of
6 a listed species.

