

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-**

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At the end of subtitle A of title XXXV, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 35\_\_\_ . STRATEGIC SEAPORT INFRASTRUCTURE DE-**  
2 **VELOPMENT FUND.**

3 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—There is established in the  
4 Treasury of the United States a fund to be known as the  
5 “Strategic Seaport Readiness Infrastructure Development  
6 Fund”, (referred to in this section as the “Fund”) con-  
7 sisting of such amounts as may be appropriated or cred-  
8 ited to such Fund as provided in this section.

9 (b) **CREDITS.**—

10 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—There may be deposited into  
11 the Fund—

12 (A) funds from the Department of De-  
13 fense; and

14 (B) such amounts as may be appropriated  
15 or transferred to the Fund from within the De-  
16 partment of Defense

17 (2) **PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN CREDITS.**—No  
18 amounts shall be transferred to the Fund that have

1       been authorized pursuant to section 9505 of the In-  
2       ternal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9505).

3       (c) TRANSFERS.—Amounts appropriated or other-  
4       wise made available for any fiscal year for a strategic sea-  
5       port may be transferred, at the option of the recipient of  
6       such amounts, to the Fund and may be administered by  
7       the Administrator as a component of a project under the  
8       program.

9       (d) USE OF FUNDS.—

10           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the  
11       Maritime Administration may enter into agreements  
12       or contracts with public port authorities of strategic  
13       seaports in order to carry out projects under the  
14       strategic seaport infrastructure readiness develop-  
15       ment program to—

16           (A) upgrade infrastructure resiliency of  
17       piers or wharfs or enhancing flexible lay-down  
18       areas for heavy lift, increase efficiency in the  
19       handling of Department of Defense intermodal  
20       cargo movements, enhance shoreside intermodal  
21       transportation infrastructure, or carry out other  
22       similar improvements designed to increase effi-  
23       ciency of Department of Defense readiness;

24           (B) facilitate funding for training dedi-  
25       cated to enhancing interoperability between

1 military and port terminal personnel, and test-  
2 ing and expanding operational areas to maxi-  
3 mize strategic seaport capability and assets;  
4 and

5 (C) provide cyber resiliency project funding  
6 dedicated to the installation of new  
7 cybersecurity infrastructure, or the enhance-  
8 ment of existing cybersecurity infrastructure, in  
9 order to ensure security of military operations  
10 at strategic seaports.

11 (2) REFUNDS.—The Administrator may also  
12 use the Fund to make refunds for projects under  
13 that program that will not be completed.

14 (3) STRATEGIC SEAPORT.—In this section, the  
15 term “strategic seaport” means a commercial sea-  
16 port that is so designated by the Commander of the  
17 Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Com-  
18 mand for the purpose of supporting the deployment  
19 of members of the Armed Forces during a military  
20 operation or national emergency.

