AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 4435
OFFERED BY MR. KILDEE OF MICHIGAN

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

SEC. 729. EVALUATION OF WOUNDED WARRIOR CARE AND TRANSITION PROGRAM.

(a) Sense of Congress.—It is the sense of Congress that gaining new ideas and an objective perspective are critical to addressing issues regarding the treatment of wounded warriors.

(b) Evaluation.—The Secretary of Defense shall seek to enter into a contract with a private organization to evaluate the wounded warrior care and transition program of the Department of Defense. Such evaluation shall identify deficiencies in the treatment of wounded warriors and offer recommendations to the Secretary of Defense and Congress to improve such treatment. The Secretary may not award a contract to a private organization to carry out such evaluation unless the private organization received less than 20 percent of the annual revenue of the organization during the previous five years from contracts.
with the Department of Defense or the Department of
Veterans Affairs.

(c) FUNDING.—

(1) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts
set forth in the funding tables in division D, the
amount authorized to be appropriated in section
1405 for the Defense Health Program, as specified
in the corresponding funding table in section 4501,
is hereby increased by $20,000,000.

(2) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set
forth in the funding tables in division D—

(A) the amounts authorized to be appro-
priated in section 101 for shipbuilding and con-
version, Navy, as specified in the corresponding
funding table in section 4101, is hereby reduced
by $10,000,000; and

(B) the amounts authorized to be appro-
priated in division C for weapons activities, as
specified in the corresponding funding table in
section 4701, for the B61 life extension pro-
gram and the W76 life extension program are
each hereby reduced by $5,000,000.