

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-

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At the end of subtitle B of title XXXI, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3124. PLAN FOR VERIFICATION, DETECTION, AND**
2 **MONITORING OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND**
3 **FISSILE MATERIAL.**

4 (a) FINDINGS AND SENSE OF CONGRESS.—

5 (1) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

6 (A) A January 2014 Defense Science
7 Board report found that “The nuclear future
8 will not be a linear extrapolation of the
9 past. . . [and] [t]he technologies and processes
10 designed for current treaty verification and in-
11 spections are inadequate to future monitoring
12 realities”.

13 (B) Section 3133 of the Carl Levin and
14 Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense
15 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public
16 Law 113–291) required an interagency plan for
17 nuclear monitoring of nuclear weapons and
18 fissile material, and section 3132 of the Na-

1 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal
2 Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328) required an
3 update of such plan. In both instances, the re-
4 ports submitted failed to answer the congres-
5 sional requirements, and instead provided only
6 a brief summary of the National Security Coun-
7 cil structure and processes.

8 (2) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of
9 Congress that verification, detection, and monitoring
10 of nuclear weapons and fissile material should be a
11 priority for national security, and that the reports
12 submitted to date do not reflect this priority, or the
13 current and planned initiatives related to nuclear
14 verification and detection.

15 (b) PLAN.—The President, in consultation with the
16 Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary
17 of Energy, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the
18 Director of National Intelligence, shall develop an plan for
19 verification and monitoring relating to the potential pro-
20 liferation of nuclear weapons, components of such weap-
21 ons, and fissile material.

22 (c) ELEMENTS.—The plan developed under sub-
23 section (b) shall include the following:

24 (1) A plan and road map for verification, detec-
25 tion and monitoring, with respect to policy, oper-

1 ations, and research, development, testing, and eval-
2 uation, including—

3 (A) identifying requirements;

4 (B) costs and funding requirements over
5 10 years for such nuclear verification, detection
6 and monitoring; and

7 (C) identifying and integrating roles, re-
8 sponsibilities, and planning for such nuclear
9 verification, detection and monitoring.

10 (2) An detailed international engagement plan
11 for building cooperation and transparency, including
12 bilateral and multilateral efforts, to improve inspec-
13 tions, detection, and monitoring.

14 (3) A detailed description of—

15 (A) current and planned research and de-
16 velopment efforts to improve monitoring, detec-
17 tion, and in-field inspection and analysis capa-
18 bilities, including persistent surveillance, remote
19 monitoring, and rapid analysis of large data
20 sets, including open-source data; and

21 (B) measures to coordinate technical and
22 operational requirements early in the process.

23 (4) Engagement of relevant departments and
24 agencies of the Federal Government and the military
25 departments (including the Open Source Center and

1 the United States Atomic Energy Detection Sys-
2 tem), national laboratories, industry, and academia.

3 (d) DESIGNATION OF DOE.—The President shall
4 designate the Department of Energy as the lead agency
5 for development of the plan under subsection (b).

6 (e) BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 30 days after the
7 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy,
8 acting through the Administrator for National Security,
9 shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the
10 Senate and House of Representatives (and any other ap-
11 propriate congressional committee upon request) an in-
12 terim briefing on the plan under subsection (b). The Sec-
13 retary shall provide an updated interim briefing not later
14 than 60 days after the date of the initial interim briefing.

15 (f) LIMITATION.—Of the funds authorized to be ap-
16 propriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fis-
17 cal year 2018 for the Department of Defense for sup-
18 porting the Executive Office of the President,
19 \$10,000,000 may not be obligated or expended until the
20 date on which the President transmits to the appropriate
21 congressional committees the plan under subsection (b).

22 (g) SUBMISSION.—

23 (1) DEADLINE.—Not later than October 30,
24 2018, the President shall submit to the appropriate

1 congressional committees the plan developed under
2 subsection (b).

3 (2) FORM.—The plan under subsection (b) shall
4 be transmitted in unclassified form, but may include
5 a classified annex.

6 (h) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES
7 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-
8 gressional committees” means the following:

9 (1) The congressional defense committees.

10 (2) The Select Committee on Intelligence of the
11 Senate and the Permanent Select Committee on In-
12 telligence of the House of Representatives.

13 (3) The Committee on Foreign Relations of the
14 Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the
15 House of Representatives.

16 (4) The Committee on Homeland Security and
17 Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Com-
18 mittee on Homeland Security of the House of Rep-
19 resentatives.

20 (5) The Committee on Commerce, Science, and
21 Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on
22 Energy and Commerce of the House of Representa-
23 tives.

