AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT FOR H.R. 2824

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Page 1, line 17, before the last period insert "which complies with the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) in view of the 2006 discussions between the Director of the Office of Surface Mining and the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's consideration and review of comments submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service during the rulemaking process in 2007".

Page 2, strike "and" after the semicolon at line 12, and after line 12 insert the following (and redesignate the subsequent subparagraph accordingly):

"(C) carry out all required consultation on
the benefits and other impacts of the implemen tation of the rule to any threatened species or
endangered species, with the participation of
the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and
the United States Geological Survey; and

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