AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT OF H.R. 803
OFFERED BY MR. MCKINLEY OF WEST VIRGINIA

Page 60, after line 7, insert the following new section:

SEC. 131A. ON-THE-JOB TRAINING FOR ECONOMICALLY AND EXTREMELY ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED AREAS.

The Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 172 (29 U.S.C. 2917) the following:

“SEC. 172B. ON-THE-JOB TRAINING FOR ECONOMICALLY AND EXTREMELY ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED AREAS.

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section—

“(1) the term ‘economically disadvantaged area’ means an area for which there is a single 5-digit postal zip code, and which includes any portion of a census tract in which the median annual household income is less than $40,000 per year;

“(2) the term ‘extremely economically disadvantaged area’ means any area which there is a single 5-digit postal zip code, and includes any portion of
a census tract in which the median household income is less than $32,000 per year; and

“(3) the term ‘median household income’ means the median annual household income as determined by the 2010 census and as updated by the American Community Survey of the Bureau of the Census.

“(b) GRANTS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—From the amounts made available under subsection (h), and subject to paragraph (2) and subsection (d), the Secretary shall make grants, on a discretionary basis, to State and local boards, for adult on-the-job training, or dislocated worker on-the-job training, carried out under section 134 and for State and local board functions described in subsection (f) within economically disadvantaged areas and extremely economically disadvantaged areas.

“(2) EXTREMELY ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED AREAS.—In making grants under this subsection for a fiscal year, the Secretary shall ensure that of the amount made available under subsection (h) for such fiscal year, the Secretary uses 25 percent more of such funds to make grants to State and local boards located within extremely economi-
cally disadvantaged areas than to such boards located within economically disadvantaged areas.

“(c) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant under subsection (b), a State or a local board shall submit an application to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require. In preparing such an application for a grant under subsection (b), a local board shall consult with the corresponding State.

“(d) REIMBURSEMENT OF WAGE RATES.—Notwithstanding the limitation in section 101(31)(B), in making the grants under subsection (b), the Secretary may allow for higher levels of reimbursement of wage rates the Secretary determines are appropriate based on factors such as—

“(1) employer size, in order to facilitate the participation of small- and medium-sized employers;

“(2) target populations, in order to enhance job creation for persons with barriers to employment; and

“(3) the number of employees that will participate in the on-the-job training, the wage and benefit levels of the employees (before the training and anticipated on completion of the training), the relationship of the training to the competitiveness of the
employer and employees, and the existence of other
employer-provided training and advancement oppor-
tunities.

“(e) Administration by Secretary.—The Sec-
retary may use an amount that is not more than 1 percent
of the funds made available under subsection (h) for the
administration, management, and oversight of the pro-
grams, activities, and grants, funded under subsection (b),
including the evaluation of, and dissemination of informa-
tion on lessons learned through, the use of such funds.

“(f) State Oversight and Monitoring.—A local
board that receives a grant under subsection (b) and is
located in a State, shall provide not less than 5 percent
of the grant funds to the State for State functions de-
scribed in sections 136(f), 184, and 185.

“(g) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in this sec-
tion shall be construed to affect the manner in which sub-
title B is implemented, for activities funded through
amounts appropriated under section 137.

“(h) Authorization of Appropriations.—There
is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
such sums as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014 and
each subsequent fiscal year.

“(i) Areas Not Within Census Tracts.—In the
case of an area which is not tracted for population census
tracts, the equivalent county divisions (as defined by the
Bureau of the Census for purposes of defining poverty
areas) shall be used for purposes of determining median
annual household income.”.

Page 240, insert after the item relating to section
172, the following new item:

Sec. 172B. On-the-job training for economically and extremely economically dis-
advantaged areas