AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-19

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Page 150, after line 5, insert the following:

1 SEC. 324. OFFSHORE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT.
2 (a) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of Defense shall not
3 issue an offshore wind assessment that proposes wind
4 exclusion areas and may not object to an offshore energy
5 project filed for review by the Military Aviation and Instal
6 lation Assurance Clearinghouse (in this section referred
7 to as the ‘‘Clearinghouse’’) until 180 days after submitting
8 the report required under (b).
9 (b) REPORT REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense,
10 in coordination with the Secretaries of the military
11 departments, shall submit a report to the
12 congressional defense committees on the process
13 that will be used to by the
14 Clearinghouse to review proposed offshore lease blocks and
15 proposed offshore energy projects. At minimum, the report
16 should include the following elements:
17 (1) The process and metrics used in evaluating
18 proposed offshore lease blocks or specific offshore
energy projects for compatibility with, or unaccept able risk to, military operations and readiness.

(2) The process for coordinating with the Department of Interior on assessing proposed offshore lease blocks and military operations and readiness activities that occur in those proposed lease blocks.

(3) The process for working with the proponent of a proposed energy development to identify and evaluate possible mitigations to enable energy developments that are compatible with military operations and readiness.

(4) Any legislative changes to section 183a of title 10, United States Code, to enable the Clearinghouse to perform its new role in reviewing proposed offshore lease blocks and offshore energy projects.