

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-

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OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

At the end of division H, add the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . COLONIAS STATE OF GOOD REPAIR GRANT**
2 **PROGRAM.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Transportation
4 shall establish a state of good repair surface transpor-
5 tation grant program to provide grants that increase the
6 state of good repair for surface infrastructure in and
7 around colonias.

8 (b) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—The following entities are
9 eligible to receive a grant under this section:

- 10 (1) States.
11 (2) Metropolitan planning organizations.
12 (3) Units of local government.
13 (4) Federal land management agencies.
14 (5) Tribal governments.

15 (c) COLONIA DEFINED.—In this section, the term
16 “colonia” means any identifiable community that—

- 17 (1) is in the State of Arizona, California, New
18 Mexico, or Texas;

1 (2) is in the area of the United States within
2 150 miles of the border between the United States
3 and Mexico, except that the term does not include
4 any standard metropolitan statistical area that has
5 a population exceeding 1,000,000;

6 (3) is determined to be a colonia on the basis
7 of objective criteria, including lack of potable water
8 supply, lack of adequate sewage systems, and lack of
9 decent, safe, and sanitary housing; and

10 (4) was in existence as a colonia before Novem-
11 ber 28, 1990.

12 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
13 are authorized to be appropriated \$10,000,000 for each
14 of fiscal years 2022 through 2025 to carry out this sec-
15 tion.

