

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT (116-
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OFFERED BY MS. OMAR OF MINNESOTA

Page 1241, after line 18, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 31107. STUDY AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO CONNECT**
2 **SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 12 months after
4 the date of the enactment of this act, the Office of Internet
5 Connectivity and Growth, in consultation with the Com-
6 mission and the Rural Utility Service of the Department
7 of Agriculture, shall, after public notice and an oppor-
8 tunity for comment, conduct a study to assess the extent
9 to which Federal funds for broadband internet access serv-
10 ices, including the Universal Service Fund programs and
11 other Federal broadband service support programs, have
12 expanded access to and adoption of broadband internet ac-
13 cess service by socially disadvantaged individuals as com-
14 pared to individuals who are not socially disadvantaged in-
15 dividuals.

16 (b) REPORT AND PUBLICATION.—

17 (1) SUBMISSION.—Not later than 18 months
18 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Of-

1 fice of Internet Connectivity and Growth shall sub-
2 mit a report on the results of the study under sub-
3 section (a) to—

4 (A) the Committee on Energy & Commerce
5 in the House of Representatives;

6 (B) the Committee on Commerce, Science
7 and Transportation of the Senate; and

8 (C) each agency administering a program
9 evaluated by such report.

10 (2) PUBLIC PUBLICATION.—Contemporaneously
11 with submitting the report required by paragraph
12 (1), the Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth
13 shall publish such report on the public facing
14 website of—

15 (A) the National Telecommunications and
16 Information Administration;

17 (B) the Commission; and

18 (C) the Rural Utility Service of the De-
19 partment of Agriculture.

20 (3) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The report required
21 by paragraph (1) shall include recommendations
22 with regard who to how Federal funds for the Uni-
23 versal Service Fund programs and Federal
24 broadband service support programs may be dis-
25 persed in an a manner that better expands access to

1 and adoption of broadband internet access service by
2 socially disadvantaged individuals as compared to in-
3 dividuals who are not socially disadvantaged individ-
4 uals.

5 (c) SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUAL.—In this
6 section, the term “socially disadvantaged individual” has
7 the meaning given that term in section 8 of the Small
8 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637).

