

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT  
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At the end of subtitle H of title V, add the following  
new section:

**1 SEC. 5 \_\_\_\_ . REPLACEMENT OF MILITARY DECORATIONS.**

**2 (a) PROMPT REPLACEMENT REQUIRED; ANNUAL RE-**  
**3 PORT.**—Section 1135 of title 10, United States Code, is  
**4 amended—**

**5 (1) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-**  
**6 section (d); and**

**7 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-**  
**8 lowing new subsections:**

**9 “(b) PROMPT REPLACEMENT REQUIRED.**—When a  
**10 request for the replacement of a military decoration is re-**  
**11 ceived under this section or section 3747, 3751, 6253,**  
**12 8747, or 8751 of this title, the Secretary concerned shall**  
**13 ensure that—**

**14 “(1) all actions to be taken with respect to the**  
**15 request, including verification of the service record**  
**16 of the recipient of the military decoration, are com-**  
**17 pleted within one year; and**

1           “(2) the replacement military decoration is  
2           mailed to the person requesting the replacement  
3           military decoration within 60 days after verification  
4           of the service record.

5           “(c) ANNUAL REPORT.—The Secretary of Defense  
6           shall submit to the congressional defense committees an  
7           annual report regarding compliance by the military de-  
8           partments with the performance standards imposed by  
9           subsection (b). Each report shall include—

10           “(1) for the one-year period covered by the re-  
11           port—

12           “(A) the average number of days it took to  
13           verify the service record and entitlement of  
14           members and former members of the armed  
15           forces for replacement military decorations;

16           “(B) the average number of days between  
17           receipt of a request and the date on which the  
18           replacement military decoration was mailed;  
19           and

20           “(C) the average number of days between  
21           verification of a service record and the date on  
22           which the replacement military decoration was  
23           mailed; and

1           “(2) an estimate of the funds necessary for the  
2           next fiscal year to meet or exceed such performance  
3           standards.”.

4           (b) **PLAN REQUIRED.**—Not later than 180 days after  
5           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
6           Defense shall submit to the congressional defense commit-  
7           tees (as defined in section 101(a)(16) of title 10, United  
8           States Code) a plan to implement the amendments made  
9           by subsection (a), including an estimate of the funds nec-  
10          essary for fiscal year 2015 to meet or exceed the perform-  
11          ance standards imposed by such amendments.

