

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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Page 463, after line 6, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 10__ . SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING UNITED**
2 **STATES NORTHERN COMMAND PREPARED-**
3 **NESS.**

4 It is the sense of the Congress that—

5 (1) the United States Northern Command plays
6 a crucial role in providing additional response capa-
7 bility to State and local governments in domestic
8 disaster relief and consequence management oper-
9 ations;

10 (2) the United States Northern Command must
11 continue to build upon its current efforts to develop
12 command strategies, leadership training, and re-
13 sponse plans to effectively work with civil authorities
14 when acting as the lead agency or a supporting
15 agency; and

16 (3) the United States Northern Command
17 should leverage whenever possible training and man-
18 agement expertise that resides within the Depart-

1 ment of Defense, other Federal agencies, State and
2 local governments, and private sector businesses and
3 academic institutions to enhance—

4 (A) its defense support to civil authorities
5 and incidence management missions;

6 (B) relationships with other entities in-
7 volved in disaster response; and

8 (C) its ability to respond to unforeseen
9 events.

