

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT  
OF H.R. 1960  
OFFERED BY MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT**

Page 299, after the matter following line 23, insert the following:

**1 SEC. 703. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TREATMENT OF DEVELOP-  
2 MENTAL DISABILITIES UNDER TRICARE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1077 of title 10, United  
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
5 lowing new subsection:

6 “(g)(1) Subject to paragraph (3)(A), in providing  
7 health care under subsection (a), the treatment of develop-  
8 mental disabilities (as defined by section 102(8) of the De-  
9 velopmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act  
10 of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 15002(8))), including autism spec-  
11 trum disorder, shall include behavioral health treatment,  
12 including applied behavior analysis, when prescribed by a  
13 physician.

14 “(2) In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary  
15 shall ensure that—

16 “(A) except as provided by subparagraph (B),  
17 a person who is authorized to provide behavioral

1 health treatment is licensed or certified by a State  
2 or accredited national certification board; and

3 “(B) applied behavior analysis or other behav-  
4 ioral health treatment may be provided by an em-  
5 ployee, contractor, or trainee of a person described  
6 in subparagraph (A) if the employee, contractor, or  
7 trainee meets minimum qualifications, training, and  
8 supervision requirements as set forth by the Sec-  
9 retary.

10 “(3)(A) This subsection shall not apply to—

11 “(i) a medicare eligible beneficiary (as defined  
12 in section 1111(b) of this title); or

13 “(ii) a covered beneficiary who is a beneficiary  
14 by reason of being a retired member of the Coast  
15 Guard, the Commissioned Corp of the National Oce-  
16 anic and Atmospheric Administration, or the Com-  
17 missioned Corp of the Public Health Service, or by  
18 being a dependent of such a retired member.

19 “(B) Except as provided in subparagraph (A), noth-  
20 ing in this subsection shall be construed as limiting or oth-  
21 erwise affecting the benefits otherwise provided to a cov-  
22 ered beneficiary under—

23 “(i) this chapter;

24 “(ii) title XVIII of the Social Security Act (42  
25 U.S.C. 1395 et seq.); or

1           “(iii) any other law.”.

2           (b) FUNDING.—

3           (1) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts  
4           set forth in the funding tables in division D, the  
5           amount authorized to be appropriated in section  
6           1406 for the Defense Health Program, as specified  
7           in the corresponding funding table in section 4501,  
8           for Private Sector Care is hereby increased by  
9           \$60,000,000.

10          (2) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set  
11          forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount  
12          authorized to be appropriated in section 4301 for  
13          operation and maintenance, as specified in the cor-  
14          responding funding table in section 4301, for the Of-  
15          fice of the Secretary of Defense (Line 280) is hereby  
16          reduced by \$60,000,000.

