

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 118–10 OFFERED  
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Add at the end of subtitle B of title XVIII the following:

1 **SEC. 1824. REPORT ON IRANIAN INTERNET CENSORSHIP.**

2 The Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of  
3 State shall jointly submit to Congress a report regarding  
4 Iranian internet censorship and applicable United States  
5 licensing requirements. Such report shall include —

6 (1) An assessment of the Iranian Government’s  
7 ability to impose internet shutdowns, censor the  
8 internet, and track Iranian dissidents, labor  
9 organizers, political activists, or human rights  
10 defenders inside Iran through targeted digital  
11 surveillance or other digital means.

12 (2) An assessment of the impact of General License  
13 D-2, issued on September 23, 2022, on the  
14 availability  
15 of private communications tools inside Iran including  
16 encryption tools to assist the people of Iran in  
17 circumventing digital surveillance by the Iranian  
18 Government;

18 (3) A determination of whether additional updates  
19 to  
20 General License D-2 or other licenses are needed to  
keep up with the pace of technology and ensure that

21 U.S. restrictions do not unintentionally inhibit the  
22 flow of vital communication tools to the people of  
23 Iran, including cloud technology, hardware,  
24 software, and services incident to personal communications,  
including set-top boxes (STB), satellites, and web developer  
tools,;

25 (4) A strategy to ensure that resources are available  
26 for digital rights experts to study the Islamic  
27 Republic's online repression and identify  
28 opportunities to counter it.

29 (5) A strategy to prevent the Government of Iran  
30 from acquiring or developing tools that could be  
31 exploited against activists, including facial  
32 recognition software.

FORM.—The report required pursuant to sub section (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex if such annex is provided separately from such unclassified version.

(d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “targeted digital surveillance” means the use of items or services that enable an individual or entity (with or without the knowing authorization of the product's owner) to detect, monitor, intercept, collect, exploit, preserve, protect, transmit, retain, or otherwise gain access to the communications, sensitive or protected information, work product, browsing data, research, identifying information, location history, and online and offline activities of other individuals, organizations, or entities.