

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-7**  
**OFFERED BY MR. CONNOLLY OF VIRGINIA**

Page 265, insert after line 9 the following (and conform the succeeding subsection accordingly):

1           “(d) SURPLUS APPROPRIATIONS.—If the amount of  
2 funds appropriated for grants authorized under section  
3 298D(a)(2) exceed the amount necessary to meet the re-  
4 quirements of subsection (b), the Commission shall con-  
5 sider the following in making a determination to award  
6 remaining funds to a State:

7           “(1) The record of the State in carrying out the  
8 following with respect to the administration of elec-  
9 tions for Federal office:

10                   “(A) Providing voting machines that are  
11 less than 10 years old.

12                   “(B) Implementing strong chain of custody  
13 procedures for the physical security of voting  
14 equipment and paper records at all stages of  
15 the process.

16                   “(C) Conducting pre-election testing on  
17 every voting machine and ensuring that paper  
18 ballots are available wherever electronic ma-  
19 chines are used.

1           “(D) Maintaining offline backups of voter  
2 registration lists.

3           “(E) Providing a secure voter registration  
4 database that logs requests submitted to the  
5 database.

6           “(F) Publishing and enforcing a policy de-  
7 tailing use limitations and security safeguards  
8 to protect the personal information of voters in  
9 the voter registration process.

10          “(G) Providing secure processes and proce-  
11 dures for reporting vote tallies.

12          “(H) Providing a secure platform for dis-  
13 seminating vote totals.

14          “(2) Evidence of established conditions of inno-  
15 vation and reform in providing voting system secu-  
16 rity and the proposed plan of the State for imple-  
17 menting additional conditions.

18          “(3) Evidence of collaboration between relevant  
19 stakeholders, including local election officials, in de-  
20 veloping the grant implementation plan described in  
21 section 298B.

22          “(4) The plan of the State to conduct a rig-  
23 orous evaluation of the effectiveness of the activities  
24 carried out with the grant.”.

