Summary of Amendments Submitted to the Rules Committee for

H.R. 4970 - Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2012.

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

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Adams (FL)

#1 Manager's amendment: would (i) continue the role of Vermont service center in adjudicating self-petitions by battered aliens; (ii) prohibit USCIS from interviewing alleged batterers; (iii) reduces evidentiary standards petitioners must meet; (iv) authorize domestic violence victims or Indian tribes on behalf of victims to seek protection orders from U.S. district courts against Indian or non-Indian abusers; (v) require Attorney General and HHS Secretary to provide appropriate training and technical assistance to grant recipients on how to comply with financial record-keeping and accounting practices; (vi) maintain language from 2005 re-authorization that was inadvertently omitted to authorize VAWA funds to be used for culturally specific programs; (vii) modify nondiscrimination clause to ensure that faith-based groups are not required to forfeit their ability to make employment decisions on a religious basis when they receive funds from programs; and (viii) make technical and conforming changes.