

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 910, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. CLEAVER OF MISSOURI**

At the end of the bill, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 5. RECOGNIZING THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF CLI-**
2 **MATE CHANGE ON COMMUNITIES OF COLOR.**

3 Congress accepts the findings of the 2004 report,
4 commissioned by the Congressional Black Caucus Foun-
5 dation, *African Americans and Climate Change: an Un-*
6 *equal Burden*, including that—

7 (1) global climate change will disproportionately
8 affect communities of color;

9 (2) while the impacts of climate change are
10 global, the effects are not spread evenly across the
11 world;

12 (3) climate change is likely to have different im-
13 pacts of different socioeconomic and racial groups;

14 (4) African Americans are unequally impacted
15 by deaths and illnesses during heat waves and wors-
16 ened air pollution;

17 (5) already, over 70 percent of African Ameri-
18 cans live in counties in violation of federal air stand-
19 ards;

1 (6) African Americans have a 36 percent higher
2 rate of incidents of asthma than whites;

3 (7) African Americans are 50 percent more
4 likely to be uninsured, and are more at risk than
5 other communities from increases in diseases;

6 (8) unemployment and economic hardship asso-
7 ciated with climate change will fall most heavily on
8 the African American community, since economic
9 transitions strike hardest at those without savings or
10 resources to adapt; and

11 (9) African American workers are likely to be
12 laid off disproportionately due to the economic insta-
13 bility caused by climate change.

