

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 761, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. CONNOLLY OF VIRGINIA**

Beginning at page 6, strike line 22 and all that follows through page 7, line 9, and insert the following:

1 (b) DETERMINATION UNDER NEPA.—The lead
2 agency with responsibility for issuing a mineral explo-
3 ration or mine permit shall determine any such action
4 would constitute a major Federal action significantly af-
5 fecting the quality of the human environment within the
6 meaning of the National Environmental Policy Act (42
7 U.S.C. 4331 et seq.).

Beginning at page 7, strike line 24 and all that follows through page 9, line 7.

