

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 761
OFFERED BY MR. LOWENTHAL OF CALIFORNIA**

Page 3, beginning at line 7, strike paragraph (1)
and insert the following:

- 1 (1) STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERALS.—The
2 term “strategic and critical minerals”—
3 (A) means—
4 (i) minerals and mineral groups iden-
5 tified as critical by the National Research
6 Council in the report entitled “Minerals,
7 Critical Minerals, and the U.S. Economy”,
8 dated 2008; and
9 (ii) additional minerals identified by
10 the Secretary of the Interior based on the
11 National Research Council criteria in such
12 report; and
13 (B) shall not include sand, gravel, or clay.

Page 4, strike lines 1 through 7 and insert the fol-
lowing:

1 (1) MINERAL EXPLORATION OR MINE PER-
2 MIT.—The term “mineral exploration or mine per-
3 mit”—

4 (A) means a mineral exploration or mine
5 permit for strategic and critical minerals; and

6 (B) includes any plan of operation for stra-
7 tegic and critical minerals that is issued by the
8 Bureau of Land Management and the Forest
9 Service.

