

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5538, AS REPORTED**  
**OFFERED BY MR. ROHRABACHER OF CALIFORNIA**

At the end of the bill, before the short title, insert the following:

1       SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this  
2 Act may be used to initiate, work on, or conclude an Envi-  
3 ronmental Impact Statement, or consultation or review  
4 under section 106 of the National Historic Preservation  
5 Act of 1966 or section 7 of the Endangered Species Act  
6 of 1973, for the purpose of changing operations at Arecibo  
7 Observatory in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, for—

8           (1) collaboration with interested parties for  
9 transition to education-focused operations;

10           (2) mothballing of facilities (suspension of oper-  
11 ations in a manner such that operations could re-  
12 sume efficiently at some future date); or

13           (3) deconstruction and site restoration.

14 Nothing in this section shall be construed to reduce, re-  
15 scind, or waive any responsibilities under the National En-  
16 vironmental Policy Act of 1969, the Endangered Species  
17 Act, or the National Historic Preservation Act.

