

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. AKIN OF MISSOURI

At the end of title VIII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 845. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON LONG-TERM CON-**
2 **TRACTING FOR ALTERNATIVE FUELS.**

3 It is the sense of Congress that long-term contracting
4 for alternative fuels is in the best interests of the Depart-
5 ment of Defense and is a wise use of taxpayer resources.
6 Long-term contracts provide stability for industry, which
7 allows them to drive the cost down. Long-term contracts
8 also provide some insulation to the Department of Defense
9 from fuel price increases. The Department of Defense has
10 asked for the authority to enter into long-term contracts
11 for alternative fuels, and it is the sense of Congress that
12 this is a valuable proposal and should be supported.

