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 CONTRACTING FOR ALTERNATIVE FUELS.

2 It is the sense of Congress that long-term contracting for alternative fuels is in the best interests of the Department of Defense and is a wise use of taxpayer resources.

3 Long-term contracts provide stability for industry, which allows them to drive the cost down. Long-term contracts also provide some insulation to the Department of Defense from fuel price increases. The Department of Defense has asked for the authority to enter into long-term contracts for alternative fuels, and it is the sense of Congress that this is a valuable proposal and should be supported.