

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 5
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Page 620, after line 8 insert the following:

1 SEC. 802. FINDING.

2 The Congress finds that the Elementary and Sec-
3 ondary Education Act of 1965 reaffirmed the Supreme
4 Court's decision in *Brown v. Board of Education* that
5 every child has the right to an equal educational oppor-
6 tunity. Thanks to some of the reforms instituted as part
7 of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, we now have
8 better information on how vulnerable students are per-
9 forming. On the National Assessment of Educational
10 Progress - our nation's longest standing measure for stu-
11 dent achievement - economically disadvantaged and stu-
12 dents of color have actually improved faster than at any
13 other time since 1980. We must continue the historic Fed-
14 eral role in elementary and secondary education to support
15 schools and districts with high concentrations of poverty.

