AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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Page 620, after line 8 insert the following:

SEC. 802. FINDING.

The Congress finds that the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 reaffirmed the Supreme Court’s decision in Brown v. Board of Education that every child has the right to an equal educational opportunity. Thanks to some of the reforms instituted as part of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, we now have better information on how vulnerable students are performing. On the National Assessment of Educational Progress - our nation’s longest standing measure for student achievement - economically disadvantaged and students of color have actually improved faster than at any other time since 1980. We must continue the historic Federal role in elementary and secondary education to support schools and districts with high concentrations of poverty.