MODIFICATION TO THE AMENDMENT
OFFERED BY MR. CRAWFORD OF ARKANSAS

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The amendment as modified is as follows:

Page 116, after line 2, insert the following new section:

SEC. 515. PILOT PROGRAM FOR EOD-QUALIFIED MEMBERS
OF THE ARMY NATIONAL GUARD TO SUPPORT CIVIL AUTHORITIES.

(a) PILOT PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of the Army may carry out a pilot program under which EOD-qualified members of the Army National Guard may conduct planning and immediate response defense support to civil authorities.

(b) OBJECTIVES.—The Secretary of the Army shall design a pilot program conducted under this section to determine the following:

(1) The feasibility and effectiveness of establishing program described in subsection (a).

(2) The merits of using EOD-qualified members of the Army National Guard on full-time Na-
(c) CONSULTATION.—In developing a pilot program under this section, the Secretary of the Army shall consult with the Commanders of the United States Northern Command and United States Pacific Command regarding—

(1) defeating sustained bombings in the United States, including the territories and possessions;

(2) plans for EOD defense support of designated national special security events;

(3) plans for EOD defense support of the national response framework activities of the Departments of Justice and Homeland Security;

(4) EOD immediate response for recovery of Department of Defense munitions off-installation; and

(5) EOD immediate response in support of civilian law enforcement agencies.

(d) AUTHORITY FOR PAY AND ALLOWANCES.—The Secretary of Defense may, subject to appropriations, make funds available to fund pay, allowances, travel, training,
operations, and maintenance costs for members of the
Army National Guard who participate in the pilot pro-
gram.

(e) COMMENCEMENT; DURATION.—The Secretary of
the Army may commence a pilot program under this sec-
tion on or after January 1, 2019. All activities under such
a pilot program shall terminate no later than December

(f) REPORT.—If the Secretary of the Army carries
out a pilot program under this section, the Secretary shall
submit to the congressional defense committees a report
containing an evaluation of the pilot program, including
determinations described in subsection (b), not later than
January 1, 2021.

(g) EOD DEFINED.—In this section, the term
“EOD” means explosive ordnance disposal.