

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 8
OFFERED BY MR. GRAYSON OF FLORIDA**

At the end of the bill, add the following new title:

1 **TITLE VII—OTHER MATTERS**

2 **SEC. 7001. ENERGY FRONTIER RESEARCH CENTERS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall carry out a
4 program to provide awards, on a competitive, merit-re-
5 viewed basis, to multi-institutional collaborations or other
6 appropriate entities to conduct fundamental and use-in-
7 spired energy research to accelerate scientific break-
8 throughs.

9 (b) COLLABORATIONS.—A collaboration receiving an
10 award under this section may include multiple types of in-
11 stitutions and private sector entities.

12 (c) SELECTION AND DURATION.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—A collaboration under this
14 section shall be selected for a period of 5 years. An
15 Energy Frontier Research Center already in exist-
16 ence and supported by the Director on the date of
17 enactment of this Act may continue to receive sup-
18 port for a period of 5 years beginning on the date
19 of establishment of that center.

1 (2) REAPPLICATION.—After the end of the pe-
2 riod described in paragraph (1), an awardee may re-
3 apply for selection for a second period of 5 years on
4 a competitive, merit-reviewed basis.

5 (3) TERMINATION.—Consistent with the exist-
6 ing authorities of the Department, the Director may
7 terminate an underperforming center for cause dur-
8 ing the performance period.

9 (d) NO FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION.—No funding
10 provided pursuant to this section may be used for the con-
11 struction of new buildings or facilities.

