AMENDMENT TO H.R. 761, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. LOWENTHAL OF CALIFORNIA

Page 5, strike lines 3 through 16 and insert the following:

(1) STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERALS.—The term “strategic and critical minerals”—

(A) means—

(i) minerals and mineral groups identified as critical by the National Research Council in the report entitled “Minerals, Critical Minerals, and the U.S. Economy”, dated 2008; and

(ii) additional minerals identified by the Secretary of the Interior based on the National Research Council criteria in such report; and

(B) shall not include sand, gravel, or clay.

Page 5, strike lines 21 through 26 and insert the following:

(3) MINERAL EXPLORATION OR MINE PERMIT.—The term “mineral exploration or mine permit”—
(A) means a mineral exploration or mine permit for strategic and critical minerals; and

(B) includes any plan of operation for strategic and critical minerals that is issued by the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service.