

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

3 (A) means—

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

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

12 (B) shall not include sand, gravel, or clay.
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Page 5, strike lines 21 through 26 and insert the following:

14 (3) MINERAL EXPLORATION OR MINE PER-
15 MIT.—The term “mineral exploration or mine per-
16 mit”—

1 (A) means a mineral exploration or mine
2 permit for strategic and critical minerals; and

3 (B) includes any plan of operation for stra-
4 tegic and critical minerals that is issued by the
5 Bureau of Land Management and the Forest
6 Service.

