

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 471
OFFERED BY MR. HARDER OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of the bill add the following:

1 **TITLE V—MISCELLANEOUS**

2 **SEC. 501. MIDDLE FIRE LEADERS ACADEMY.**

3 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
4 of this Act, the Chief of the Forest Service shall create
5 a Middle Fire Leaders Academy which shall be open to
6 Federal and non-Federal wildland fire response workforce
7 employees. The Middle Fire Leaders Academy shall pro-
8 vide—

9 (1) rapid training and certification for emerging
10 wildfire and beneficial fire leaders; and

11 (2) additional and expanded training of suffi-
12 cient quality to enable managers and decision mak-
13 ers responsible for addressing wildfire incidents and
14 prescribed burns to make informed decisions regard-
15 ing the beneficial application and management of
16 fire, including managing local fire regimes and other
17 forms of beneficial fire use.

