

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
OF H.R. 7
OFFERED BY MR. HOLT OF NEW JERSEY**

Page 954, after line 19, insert the following new section:

1 SEC. 176 __. PRODUCTION INCENTIVE FEE.

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of the Interior
3 shall include in each oil and gas lease issued under this
4 subtitle (including the amendments made by this subtitle)
5 an annual production incentive fee with respect to sub-
6 merged lands that are subject to a lease under which pro-
7 duction is not occurring.

8 (b) AMOUNT.—The amount of the fee shall be, for
9 each acre of submerged land from which oil or natural
10 gas is produced under a lease for less than 90 days in
11 a calendar year—

12 (1) for each of the third, fourth, and fifth years
13 of the lease, \$4 per acre in 2012 dollars;

14 (2) for the sixth year of the lease, \$6 per acre
15 in 2012 dollars; and

16 (3) for the seventh year of the lease and each
17 year thereafter for which the lease is otherwise in ef-
18 fect, \$8 per acre in 2012 dollars.

1 (c) ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION.—The Secretary
2 shall assess and collect the fee established under this sec-
3 tion.

4 (d) DEPOSIT.—Amounts received by the United
5 States as the fee under this section shall be deposited in
6 the general fund of the Treasury.

