

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 3080
OFFERED BY MR. MULLIN OF OKLAHOMA**

At the end of title I, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . REPORT ON SURFACE ELEVATIONS AT DROUGHT**
2 **EFFECTED LAKES.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

4 (1) due to the ongoing drought in many parts
5 of the United States, State agencies are finding it
6 difficult to maintain Federal Energy Regulatory
7 Commission-licensed lake levels; and

8 (2) local agencies should be able to modify li-
9 censes when drought conditions arise and persist.

10 (b) ASSESSMENT.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
12 after the date of enactment of this Act, the FERC
13 shall initiate an assessment of the effects of drought
14 conditions on FERC-licensed lakes, which shall in-
15 clude an assessment of—

16 (A) existing FERC-licensed lakes with
17 stipulated lake levels and rule curves in areas of
18 previous, current and prolonged drought; and

1 (B) the effect the long-term licenses have
2 on state agencies being able to meet all their
3 obligations, including hydroelectric obligations,
4 water supply downstream, fish and wildlife, and
5 recreation.

6 (2) REPORT.—FERC shall submit to Congress
7 a report on the assessment carried out under para-
8 graph (1).

