

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 6, AS REPORTED
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After section 4081 of the bill, insert the following
new section:

1 **SEC. 4082. CREDIBLE RESEARCH ON MEDICAL EFFICACY**
2 **OF MARIHUANA.**

3 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
4 gress that—

5 (1) the National Institutes of Health (NIH)
6 should initiate credible research on the medical effi-
7 cacy of marihuana, including cannabidiol, as a treat-
8 ment for patients; and

9 (2) as some States have begun to allow patients
10 suffering from diseases such as cancer, epilepsy,
11 glaucoma, and post-traumatic stress disorder
12 (PTSD) to be treated with marihuana, it is impera-
13 tive that the NIH, in consultation with the Drug
14 Enforcement Administration (DEA), study the bene-
15 fits and risks of marihuana and its derivatives and
16 whether they are safe and effective forms of treat-
17 ment for patients.

1 (b) REGULATING MARIHUANA IN SCHEDULE IR.—
2 Section 201 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C.
3 811) is amended by adding at the end the following:

4 “(j) SCHEDULING OF MARIHUANA.—The Attorney
5 General—

6 “(1) shall establish a schedule for marihuana,
7 to be known as schedule IR, that—

8 “(A) is separate from the schedules estab-
9 lished under section 202(a); and

10 “(B) is designed to facilitate credible re-
11 search on the medical efficacy of marihuana;

12 “(2) without regard to the findings required by
13 subsection (a) of this section or section 202(b) and
14 without regard to the procedures prescribed by sub-
15 sections (a) and (b) of this section, shall place mari-
16 huana (as defined in section 102 and including any
17 of marihuana’s derivatives) in such schedule IR;

18 “(3) except to the extent to which marihuana is
19 intended to be used exclusively for research de-
20 scribed in paragraph (1)(B), shall treat marihuana
21 in such schedule IR as a schedule I controlled sub-
22 stance; and

23 “(4) subject to the findings required by sub-
24 section (a) of this section and section 202(b), and in
25 accordance with the procedures prescribed by sub-

1 sections (a) and (b) of this section, may transfer
2 marihuana from schedule IR to another schedule es-
3 tablished under section 202(a).”.

