AMENDMENT TO H.R. 6, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. GRIFFITH OF VIRGINIA, MR. HARRIS OF MARYLAND, MR. BLUMENAUER OF OREGON, AND MR. FARR OF CALIFORNIA

After section 4061 of the bill, insert the following new section:

SEC. 4062. CREDIBLE RESEARCH ON MEDICAL EFFICACY OF MARIHUANA.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the National Institutes of Health (NIH) should initiate credible research on the medical efficacy of marihuana, including cannabidiol, as a treatment for patients; and

(2) as some States have begun to allow patients suffering from diseases such as cancer, epilepsy, glaucoma, and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) to be treated with marihuana, it is imperative that the NIH, in consultation with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), study the benefits and risks of marihuana and its derivatives and whether they are safe and effective forms of treatment for patients.
(b) Regulating Marihuana in Schedule IR.—

Section 201 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 811) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(j) Scheduling of Marihuana.—The Attorney General—

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

“(A) is separate from the schedules established under section 202(a); and

“(B) is designed to facilitate credible research on the medical efficacy of marihuana;

“(2) without regard to the findings required by subsection (a) of this section or section 202(b) and without regard to the procedures prescribed by subsections (a) and (b) of this section, shall place marihuana (as defined in section 102 and including any of marihuana’s derivatives) in such schedule IR;

“(3) except to the extent to which marihuana is intended to be used exclusively for research described in paragraph (1)(B), shall treat marihuana in such schedule IR as a schedule I controlled substance; and

“(4) subject to the findings required by subsection (a) of this section and section 202(b), and in accordance with the procedures prescribed by sub-
sections (a) and (b) of this section, may transfer marihuana from schedule IR to another schedule established under section 202(a).”