

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3898, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. NUNN OF IOWA

Add at the end the following:

1 SEC. _____. STATE-LED PERMITTING EFFICIENCY AND
2 WATER QUALITY PILOT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall establish a voluntary pilot program to support State-led water quality improvements in waters listed as impaired for nitrogen or phosphorus under section 303(d) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1313(d)).

9 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—At the request of a State par-
10 ticipating in the program established under this section,
11 and notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Ad-
12 ministrator shall—

(1) streamline or modify general permits issued under section 404 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1344) to incorporate State-approved, voluntary nutrient-reduction practices; and

(2) provide expedited review of permits issued under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1344) for applicants who adopt such prac-

1 tices, consistent with the deadlines in this Act, and
2 any amendments made by this Act.

3 (c) VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION.—Participation by
4 agricultural producers in the program established under
5 this section shall be voluntary.

6 (d) SAVINGS CLAUSE.—Nothing in this section may
7 be construed to authorize the regulation of nonpoint
8 sources or expand Federal jurisdiction.

