

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. TONKO OF NEW YORK**

Page 92, after line 12, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 254. APPLICATION OF RNA BIOLOGICAL AND FUNC-**
2 **TIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.**

3 In carrying out the medical advanced technology pro-
4 gram, the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that, when
5 applicable, RNA biological and functional science and
6 technology are used for research in which RNA may be
7 a translational tool and potentially therapeutic, includ-
8 ing—

- 9 (1) infectious diseases employed by terrorists or
10 other entities to have a battlefield effect;
11 (2) memory disorders;
12 (3) rare diseases; and
13 (4) other diseases affecting military readiness.

