

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 117-31
OFFERED BY MR. WENSTRUP OF OHIO

Insert after section 30226 the following:

1 **SEC. 30227. PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL FUNDING FOR CER-**
2 **TAIN GAIN-OF-FUNCTION RESEARCH BY A**
3 **FOREIGN ADVERSARY.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—No Federal funds may be made
5 available, whether directly or indirectly, or used by an en-
6 tity, to conduct or support any gain-of-function research
7 involving a potential pandemic pathogen by a foreign ad-
8 versary, including—

9 (1) China, Russia, Iran, and North Korea; and

10 (2) any other country the Secretary of State, in
11 consultation with the Secretary of Defense, the Di-
12 rector of National Intelligence, or any other appro-
13 priate Federal official, determines to be a foreign
14 adversary for the purposes of this section.

15 (b) FUNDING FREEZE FOR VIOLATIONS.—Any entity
16 the Secretary of State finds to have used Federal funds
17 in violation of this section may not receive any Federal
18 funding for a period of 5 years, beginning on the date of
19 such finding.

20 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 (1) GAIN-OF-FUNCTION RESEARCH.—The term
2 “gain-of-function research” means any research that
3 may be reasonably anticipated to confer an attribute
4 to a pathogen such that the pathogen would have
5 enhanced pathogenicity or transmissibility in mam-
6 mals.

7 (2) POTENTIAL PANDEMIC PATHOGEN.—The
8 term “potential pandemic pathogen” means a patho-
9 gen that, prior to any gain-of-function research—

10 (A) is likely highly transmissible and likely
11 capable of wide and uncontrollable spread in
12 human populations; and

13 (B) is likely highly virulent and likely to
14 cause significant morbidity or mortality in hu-
15 mans.

