

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA**

At the end of part III of subtitle C of title VIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 83 ____ . TERMINATION OF THE TONGASS TRANSITION**

2 **PLAN.**

3 (a) **TERMINATION OF 2016 PLAN AMENDMENTS.—**

4 The document entitled “2016 Tongass Forest Plan
5 Amendment to the 2008 Amended Tongass Land and Re-
6 source Management Plan” shall have no force or effect.

7 (b) **REINSTATEMENT OF 2018 PLAN WITH AMEND-**

8 **MENTS.—**The Secretary of the Interior shall immediately
9 reinstate the document entitled “Land and Resource Man-
10 agement Plan – Tongass National Forest” and dated Jan-
11 uary 2008 with the following revisions:

12 (1) The Secretary of Agriculture shall restore
13 the timber supply from the national forest in South-
14 east Alaska as sufficient to sustain a fully-integrated
15 manufacturing industry in Southeast Alaska.

16 (2) The Secretary of Agriculture shall not accel-
17 erate the transition to a timber sale program on the
18 Tongass National Forest that is based primarily on
19 young growth management, as required by the docu-

1 ment entitled “Land and Resource Management
2 Plan – Tongass National Forest” and dated Decem-
3 ber 2016.

4 (c) REVISION OF LAND AND RESOURCE MANAGE-
5 MENT PLAN.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than October 1,
7 2018, the Secretary shall publish in the Federal
8 Register a notice of intent to revise or amend, as de-
9 termined by the Secretary, the land and resource
10 management plan for the Tongass National Forest.

11 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary shall in-
12 clude in the revision or amendment under paragraph
13 (1) the following:

14 (A) An analysis of the timber characteris-
15 tics, harvest economics and sustainable harvest
16 rates necessary to sustain a fully-integrated
17 manufacturing industry in Southeast Alaska.

18 (B) Changes in the management direction
19 of the Tongass National Forest to ensure that
20 any transition to a timber sale program based
21 primarily on young growth management be ac-
22 complished in a time frame and in a manner
23 that maintains an economically viable, fully-in-
24 tegrated timber manufacturing industry in
25 Southeast Alaska.

1 (C) An Exemption to the roadless area
2 conservation rule established under part 294 of
3 title 36, Code of Federal Regulations (and suc-
4 cessor regulations), of the Tongass National
5 Forest.

6 (D) Modifications to the old growth habi-
7 tat conservation strategy and other constraints,
8 standards and guidelines included in the land
9 and resource management plan described in
10 paragraph (1) to ensure the revised or amended
11 plan can provide the economic timber necessary
12 to sustain a fully-integrated timber manufac-
13 turing industry.

