AMENDMENT TO H. CON. RES. ____ OFFERED BY MR. BRECHEEN OF OKLAHOMA

Add at the end of title IV the following:

1 SEC. 4003. POLICY STATEMENT ON GOVERNMENT DEREGU-2 LATION. 3 (a) FINDINGS.—The House finds the following: 4 (1) Regulations throughout the Federal Govern-5 ment have been a major issue for decades, continu-6 ously growing while negatively impacting the na-7 tion's economic and fiscal standing. 8 (2) Overregulation has consistently hurt small 9 businesses, strangled domestic energy production, 10 weakened labor market conditions, and expanded 11 government overreach and costs on taxpayers. 12 (3) Real (inflation-adjusted) spending on regu-13 latory agencies has increased exponentially since 14 1960. The total number of pages in the Code of 15 Federal Regulations (CFR) has increased from 16 22,877 pages in 1960 to nearly 200,000 today. 17 When compared to 1950, the CFR contained only 18 9,745 pages in 1950, making the size of the CFR 19 today 95% larger than it was in 1950.

 $\mathbf{2}$

1 (b) POLICY STATEMENT ON GOVERNMENT DEREGU-2 LATION.—It is the policy of this concurrent resolution— 3 (1) that Congress continues to examine ways to 4 relieve the burdens of overregulation throughout the 5 Federal Government; 6 (2) that Congress is ready to promote initiatives 7 that will reduce government bureaucracy, enhance 8 Federalism, and increase economic prosperity 9 through deregulation; 10 (3) to not only reduce burdensome, costly regu-11 lations, but to also reassert the role of Congress; and 12 (4) to enact legislation through reconciliation 13 that strengthens Congress, scales back Federal regu-14 lations, limits future bureaucratic red tape, and 15 unleashes economic growth, such as the Regulations 16 from the Executive in Need of Scrutiny (REINS) 17 Act.

$\left| \times \right|$