

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
OFFERED BY MR. CAWTHORN OF NORTH
CAROLINA**

On page 28, after line 20, insert the following:

1 (f) PROTECTING RURAL JOBS.—This section and the
2 amendments made by this section shall not apply with re-
3 spect to nonmetropolitan areas (as defined by the Bureau
4 of Labor Statistics for the purposes of the Occupational
5 Employment Statistics survey) that have a median hourly
6 wage of less than \$18.

