Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute Offered by MR. CAWTHORN OF NORTH CAROLINA

Page 1, line 10, strike "\$128,554,800,000" and insert "\$130,554,800,000".

Page 3, after line 20, insert the following new subsection:

1 (c) RURAL EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Of the total amount appro-3 priated in this section, the Secretary of Education 4 shall reserve \$2,000,000,000 and shall allocate such 5 funds to States in the same proportion as funds are 6 allocated to States under subsection (a). Each State 7 receiving an allocation under this subsection shall 8 use 100 percent of such allocation to award competi-9 tive grants to rural local educational agencies in the 10 State for education technology.

(2) USE OF FUNDS.—A rural local educational
agency that receives a grant in accordance with
paragraph (1) shall use 100 percent of the funds
provided by such grant to purchase educational tech-

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nology (including hardware, software, 1 and 2 connectivity) for students that aids in regular and substantive educational interaction between students 3 (including low-income students and students with 4 disabilities) and classroom instructors, which may 5 include assistive technology or adaptive equipment. 6

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