

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE  
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 3524  
OFFERED BY MR. MAST OF FLORIDA**

Page 290, after line 12, insert the following:

1       (\_\_\_\_) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of  
2 the United States that removal of Hamas from de facto  
3 control over the Gaza Strip is a prerequisite to a final  
4 peace settlement between Palestinians and Israelis and a  
5 precondition for United States support for reconstruction  
6 and humanitarian assistance to the Gaza Strip.

