

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5300
OFFERED BY MR. BERA OF CALIFORNIA

Amend section 605 to read as follows:

1 **SEC. 605. COALITION FOR EPIDEMIC PREPAREDNESS INNO-**
2 **VATIONS.**

3 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is in the national se-
4 curity interest of the United States Government to sup-
5 port multi-donor and public-private initiatives to develop
6 countermeasures for high-threat pathogens that pose a
7 clear and present danger to American citizens.

8 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
9 gress as follows:

10 (1) Pursuant to section 6501 of the National
11 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (22
12 U.S.C. 276c-5), the United States should continue
13 its participation and contributions to the Coalition
14 for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI),
15 which is a multi-donor funding mechanism that has
16 raised more than \$4,000,000,000 to develop coun-
17 termeasures for a broad range of infectious disease
18 threats.

1 (2) United States investments in CEPI directly
2 support the health and economic security of the
3 United States.

4 (3) Contributions made by the United States to
5 CEPI represent approximately 5 percent of total
6 contributions to date, demonstrating unique leverage
7 and burden share for United States participation in
8 CEPI. This means that for every \$1 invested by the
9 United States, an additional \$20 has been contrib-
10 uted from other donors.

11 (4) To date, CEPI has invested approximately
12 six times more in U.S. research institutions and the
13 private sector than the United States government
14 has contributed to CEPI. This includes partnerships
15 with more than 70 research institutions and compa-
16 nies in the United States to develop new medical
17 countermeasures for priority pathogens.

18 (5) United States contributions enable the
19 United States to participate directly in CEPI's gov-
20 ernance through its Investors Council, through
21 which the United States can contribute its expertise
22 to CEPI's strategic direction and investment port-
23 folio.

