

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 9087
OFFERED BY MRS. BIGGS OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . VETERANS PREFERENCE FRAMEWORK.**

2 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—The Department of State
3 should appropriately recognize military experience that is
4 relevant to diplomatic service and should award additional
5 hiring register points to eligible veteran applicants based
6 on the factors described in subsection (b).

7 (b) VETERAN’S PREFERENCE.—The Secretary of
8 State shall award not fewer than the following additional
9 hiring register points to veteran applicants whose char-
10 acter of discharge or service was under conditions other
11 than dishonorable, including honorable, general (under
12 honorable conditions), or other qualifying discharges:

13 (1) Combat deployments — 1 point.

14 (2) Overseas non-combat military service —
15 0.75 points.

16 (3) Non-combat military service — 0.5 points.

1 (c) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be
2 construed to diminish any veterans' preference otherwise
3 available under law.

