

AMENDMENT TO THE CONFERENCE REPORT ON S.

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Page 161, insert after line 9 the following (and conform the table of contents accordingly:

1 **SEC. 708. SENSE OF THE CONGRESS REGARDING TREAT-**
2 **MENT OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE EPIDEMICS.**

3 It is the sense of the Congress that decades of experi-
4 ence and research have demonstrated that the most effec-
5 tive and fiscally responsible method of addressing sub-
6 stance abuse epidemics, including the current epidemic of
7 opioids abuse and the prior powder cocaine epidemic, is
8 to treat such epidemic as a public health emergency em-
9 phasizing prevention, treatment, and recovery, rather than
10 incarceration and punishment.

