AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2041 OFFERED BY MR. RUSH OF ILLINOIS

Page 4, line 20, strike "and".

Page 4, line 23, strike the period and insert "; and".

Page 4, after line 23, insert the following paragraph:

1 "(5) to encourage entities providing weatheriza-2 tion assistance to hire and retain employees who are 3 individuals— "(A) from the community in which the as-4 5 sistance is provided; and 6 "(B) from communities or groups under-7 represented in the home energy performance 8 workforce, including religious and ethnic mi-9 norities, women, veterans, individuals with dis-10 abilities, and individuals who are 11 socioeconomically disadvantaged.".

Page 6, line 5, strike "and".

Page 6, line 10, insert "and" after the semicolon.

Page 6, after line 10, insert the following:

12 (D) to hire and retain individuals described 13 subsection (a)(5). Page 12, before line 7, insert the following subsection:

- 1 (f) Hiring.—
- 2 (1) In General.—The Energy Conservation
- and Production Act is amended by inserting after
- 4 section 414D (as added by subsection (e) of this sec-
- 5 tion) the following:
- 6 "SEC. 414E. HIRING.
- 7 "The Secretary may, as the Secretary determines ap-
- 8 propriate, encourage entities receiving funding from the
- 9 Federal Government or from a State through a weather-
- 10 ization program under section 413 or section 414, to
- 11 prioritize the hiring and retention of employees who are
- 12 individuals described in section 414D(a)(5).".
- 13 (2) Table of contents.—The table of con-
- tents for the Energy Conservation and Production
- 15 Act is amended by inserting after the item relating
- to section 414D the following:

"Sec. 414E. Hiring.".

