

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 1526
OFFERED BY MR. GOSAR OF ARIZONA**

**(Page and Line Numbers Refer to the Amendment in the
Nature of a Substitute)**

Page 130, after line 8, add the following new subsections to section 504, relating to stewardship end result contracting project authority:

1 (c) CANCELLATION CEILING.—Section 347(c) of the
2 Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appro-
3 priations Act, 1999 (as contained in section 101(e) of divi-
4 sion A of Public Law 105–277; 16 U.S.C. 2104 note) is
5 amended—

6 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and (5) as
7 paragraphs (6) and (7), respectively; and

8 (2) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-
9 lowing new paragraph (4):

10 “(4) CANCELLATION CEILING.—

11 “(A) AUTHORITY.—The Chief of the For-
12 est Service and the Director of the Bureau of
13 Land Management may obligate funds to cover
14 any potential cancellation or termination costs
15 for an agreement or contract under subsection

1 (a) in stages that are economically or program-
2 matically viable.

3 “(B) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—Not later
4 than 30 days before entering into a multiyear
5 agreement or contract under subsection (a) that
6 includes a cancellation ceiling in excess of
7 \$25,000,000, but does not include proposed
8 funding for the costs of cancelling the agree-
9 ment or contract up to the cancellation ceiling
10 established in the agreement or contract, the
11 Chief or the Director, as the case may be, shall
12 submit to the Committee on Energy and Nat-
13 ural Resources of the Senate and the Com-
14 mittee on Natural Resources of the House of
15 Representatives a written notice that includes—

16 “(i) the cancellation ceiling amounts
17 proposed for each program year in the
18 agreement or contract and the reasons for
19 such cancellation ceiling amounts;

20 “(ii) the extent to which the costs of
21 contract cancellation are not included in
22 the budget for the agreement or contract;
23 and

1 “(iii) an assessment of the financial
2 risk of not including budgeting for the
3 costs of agreement or contract cancellation.

4 “(C) NOTICE TO OMB.—At least 14 days
5 before the date on which the Chief or Director
6 enters into an agreement or contract under sub-
7 section (a), the Chief or Director shall transmit
8 to the Director of the Office of Management
9 and Budget a copy of any written notice sub-
10 mitted under subparagraph (B) with regard to
11 such agreement or contract.”.

12 (d) FIRE LIABILITY.—Section 347(c) of the Depart-
13 ment of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations
14 Act, 1999 (as contained in section 101(e) of division A
15 of Public Law 105–277; 16 U.S.C. 2104 note) is amended
16 by inserting after paragraph (4), as added by subsection
17 (c) of this section, the following new paragraph:

18 “(5) FIRE LIABILITY PROVISIONS.—Not later
19 than 90 days after the date of enactment of this
20 paragraph, the Chief of the Forest Service and the
21 Director of the Bureau of Land Management shall
22 issue, for use in all contracts and agreements under
23 subsection (a), fire liability provisions that are in
24 substantially the same form as the fire liability pro-
25 visions contained in—

1 “(A) integrated resource timber contracts,
2 as described in the Forest Service contract
3 numbered 2400–13, part H, section H.4; and

4 “(B) timber sale contracts conducted pur-
5 suant to section 14 of the National Forest
6 Management Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C. 472a).”.

