

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5730**

**OFFERED BY MR. THOMPSON OF MISSISSIPPI**

In section 3(a)(4), strike “and” after the semicolon at the end.

In section 3(a)(5), strike the period at the end and insert “; and”.

In section 3(a), add at the end the following:

1           (6) to the extent practicable, provide funding  
2           and promote efforts to enable participation by a  
3           small business concern (as such term is described  
4           under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15  
5           U.S.C. 632)) that has an advanced technology or ca-  
6           pability but does not have adequate resources to par-  
7           ticipate in testing and evaluation processes.

In section 4(a), insert after paragraph (2) the fol-  
lowing (and make necessary conforming changes):

8           (3) assessing whether the Administration can  
9           further encourage innovation and competition among  
10          technology stakeholders, including through increased  
11          participation of and funding for small business con-

1       cerns (as such term is described under section 3 of  
2       the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632));

