

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 6011
OFFERED BY MR. STAUBER OF MINNESOTA**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Right-Of-Way Applica-
3 tion Transparency and Accountability Act” or the
4 “ROWATA Act”.

5 SEC. 2. DETERMINATION REGARDING RIGHTS-OF-WAY.

6 (a) NOTICE.—Not later than 90 days after the Sec-
7 retary concerned receives an application to grant a right-
8 of-way, the Secretary concerned shall—

9 (1) notify the applicant as to whether the appli-
10 cation is complete; or

11 (2) notify the applicant that information is
12 missing and specify any information that is required
13 to be submitted for the application to be complete.

14 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

15 (1) RIGHT-OF-WAY.—The term “right-of-way”
16 means—

17 (A) a right-of-way issued, granted, or re-
18 newed under section 501 of the Federal Land

1 Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C.
2 1761); or

3 (B) a right-of-way granted under section
4 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 185).

5 (2) SECRETARY CONCERNED.—The term “Sec-
6 retary concerned” means—

7 (A) with respect to public lands, the Sec-
8 retary of the Interior; and

9 (B) with respect to National Forest Sys-
10 tem lands, the Secretary of Agriculture.

