

AMENDMENT

OFFERED BY MR. STAUBER OF MINNESOTA

In subsection (a)(1)(B) of section 1112 of division B of the bill (relating to Buy America), strike “and” at the end.

In subsection (a)(1)(C) of section 1112 of division B, insert “and” after the semicolon.

In subsection (a)(1) of section 1112 of division B, add at the end the following:

1 (D) by inserting “copper, nickel, cobalt,
2 platinum group elements, rare earth elements,
3 or other minerals extracted from within the
4 United States and insular territories,” after
5 “iron,”.

At the end of subtitle F of title I of division B of the bill, add the following:

6 **SEC. _____ . FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) According to the International Energy
9 Agency—

1 (A) electric cars require significant
2 amounts of copper, lithium, nickel, manganese,
3 rare earth elements, platinum group elements,
4 and cobalt; and

5 (B) the top producer of cobalt is the
6 Democratic Republic of the Congo.

7 (2) UNICEF and Amnesty International esti-
8 mate that 40,000 boys and girls work in mines
9 across the Democratic Republic of the Congo for up
10 to 12 hours a day and earn no more than 2 dollars
11 a day.

12 (3) The boys and girls working in mines in the
13 Democratic Republic of the Congo do not attend
14 school, they are beaten by security guards, and they
15 are exposed to high levels of cobalt, but are not
16 issued protective equipment.

