AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2419, AS REPORTED

OFFERED BY MR. CLAY OF MISSOURI

Page 625, after line 10, insert the following new section (and amend the tables of content accordingly):

1 **SEC. 10103a ADDITIONAL SECTION 32 FUNDS TO PROVIDE**
2 **GRANTS FOR THE PURCHASE AND OPER-**
3 **ATION OF URBAN GARDENS GROWING OR-**
4 **GANIC FRUITS AND VEGETABLES FOR THE**
5 **LOCAL POPULATION.**

6 (a) GRANTS.—The Secretary of Agriculture may
7 make grants to eligible entities to assist in purchasing and
8 operating organic gardens or greenhouses in urban areas
9 for growing fruits and vegetables. In making such grants,
10 the Secretary will ensure such fruits and vegetables are
11 sold to local grocery stores.

12 (b) LIMITATIONS.—Grants provided to any eligible
13 entity under this section may not exceed $25,000 for any
14 given year.

15 (c) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—

16 (1) INDIVIDUALS.—An individual shall be eligi-
17 ble to receive a grant under subsection (a) if the in-
18 dividual is a resident of the neighborhood in which

1 the urban garden or greenhouse is located, or will be
2 located.
3 (2) COOPERATIVES.—A cooperative shall be eli-
4 gible to receive a grant under subsection (a) if every
5 individual member or owner of the cooperative is a
6 resident of the neighborhood in which the urban gar-
7 den or greenhouse is located, or will be located.
8 (d) SELECTION OF ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—The Sec-
9 retary shall develop criteria for the selection of eligible en-
10 tities to receive grants under this section.
11 (e) FUNDING.—The Secretary shall award such
12 grants using, of the funds made available under section
13 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c),
14 $20,000,000 in fiscal year 2008 and each fiscal year
15 thereafter.