

18. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
Tauscher OF California, OR Her
DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES:

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3221
OFFERED BY MRS. TAUSCHER OF CALIFORNIA
AND MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN

Page 436, before line 8, insert the following (and conform the table of contents of the bill accordingly):

1 **SEC. ____ . CAPITAL COST OF CONTRACTING VANPOOL**
2 **PILOT PROGRAM.**

3 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—The Secretary of Transpor-
4 tation shall establish and implement a pilot program to
5 carry out vanpool demonstration projects in not more than
6 3 urbanized areas and not more than 2 other than urban-
7 ized areas.

8 (b) **PILOT PROGRAM.**—

9 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding section
10 5323(i) of title 49, United States Code, for each
11 project selected for participation in the pilot pro-
12 gram, the Secretary shall allow the non-Federal
13 share provided by a recipient of assistance for a cap-
14 ital project under chapter 53 of such title to include
15 the amounts described in paragraph (2).

16 (2) **CONDITIONS ON ACQUISITION OF VANS.**—
17 The amount expended by a private provider of public
18 transportation by vanpool for the acquisition of vans

1 to be used by such private provider in the recipient's
2 service area, excluding any amounts the provider
3 may have received in Federal, State, or local govern-
4 ment assistance for such acquisition, if the private
5 provider enters into a legally binding agreement with
6 the recipient that requires the private provider to
7 use all revenues it receives in providing public trans-
8 portation in such service area, in excess of its oper-
9 ating costs, for the purpose of acquiring vans to be
10 used by the private provider in such service area.

11 (c) PROGRAM TERM.—The Secretary may approve an
12 application for a vanpool demonstration project for fiscal
13 years 2008 through 2009.

14 (d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year
15 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall
16 transmit to the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
17 structure of the House of Representatives and the Com-
18 mittee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the
19 Senate, a report containing an assessment of the costs,
20 benefits, and efficiencies of the vanpool demonstration
21 projects.