

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. KIND OF WISCONSIN**

At the end of title III, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3** ____ . **ASSISTANCE FOR HOMELAND DEFENSE MISSION**
2 **TRAINING.**

3 (a) ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED.—Chapter 9 of title
4 32, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
5 the following new section:

6 **“§ 909. Training assistance**

7 “(a) ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED.—To improve the
8 training of National Guard units and Federal agencies
9 performing homeland defense activities, the Secretary of
10 Defense may provide funding assistance through a special
11 military cooperative agreement for the operation and
12 maintenance of any State training center certified by the
13 Federal Emergency Management Agency as capable of
14 providing emergency response training.

15 “(b) MERIT-BASED OR COMPETITIVE DECISIONS.—
16 A decision to commit, obligate, or expend funds under sub-
17 section (a) with or to a specific entity shall—

18 “(1) be based on merit-based selection proce-
19 dures in accordance with the requirements of sec-

1 tions 2304(k) and 2374 of title 10 or on competitive
2 procedures; and

3 “(2) comply with other applicable provisions of
4 law.”.

5 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
6 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding
7 at the end the following new item:

“909. Training assistance.”.

