

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE  
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 2  
OFFERED BY MR. HUFFMAN OF CALIFORNIA**

At the end of title II of division D, add the following  
new section:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . AMTRAK AND PRIVATE CARS.**

2 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
3 gress that private cars and charter trains can—

4 (1) improve Amtrak’s financial performance,  
5 particularly on the long-distance routes;

6 (2) have promotional value for Amtrak that re-  
7 sults in future travel on Amtrak trains by pas-  
8 sengers made aware of Amtrak as a result;

9 (3) support private-sector jobs, including for  
10 mechanical work and on-board services; and

11 (4) provide good-will benefits to Amtrak.

12 (b) POLICY REVIEW.—Amtrak shall review the policy  
13 changes since January 1, 2018, that have caused signifi-  
14 cant changes to the relationship between Amtrak and pri-  
15 vate car owners and charter train services and evaluate  
16 opportunities to strengthen these services, including by re-  
17 instating some access points and restoring flexibility to  
18 charter-train policies. For charter trains, private cars, and

- 1 package express carried on regular Amtrak trains, con-
- 2 sistent with sound business practice, Amtrak should re-
- 3 cover direct costs plus a reasonable profit margin.

