

AMENDMENT

OFFERED BY MR. STAUBER OF MINNESOTA

In subsection (a) of section 1211 of division B of the bill (relating to electric vehicle charging stations) in the matter proposed to be inserted into chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code, add at the end the following:

1 “(e) CERTIFICATION.—The Secretary of Commerce
2 shall certify that no electric vehicle charging stations in-
3 stalled under this section use minerals sourced or proc-
4 essed with child labor, as such term is defined in Article
5 3 of the International Labor Organization Convention con-
6 cerning the prohibition and immediate action for the elimi-
7 nation of the worst forms of child labor (December 2,
8 2000), or in violation of human rights.”.

In subsection (b)(5) of section 1303 of division B of the bill (relating to grants for charging and fueling infrastructure to modernize and reconnect America for the 21st century) in the matter proposing to add subsection (f) to section 151 of title 23, United States Code, add at the end the following:

9 “(8) CERTIFICATION.—The Secretary of Com-
10 merce shall certify that no projects carried out under

1 this subsection use minerals sourced or processed
2 with child labor, as such term is defined in Article
3 3 of the International Labor Organization Conven-
4 tion concerning the prohibition and immediate action
5 for the elimination of the worst forms of child labor
6 (December 2, 2000), or in violation of human
7 rights.”.

In subsection (a)(2)(D) of section 2403 of division B of the bill (relating to zero emission bus grants), strike “and” at the end.

In subsection (a)(3) of section 2403 of division B, strike the period at the end and insert “; and”.

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8 (4) by adding at the end the following:
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10 merce shall certify that no projects carried out under
11 this subsection use minerals sourced or processed
12 with child labor, as such term is defined in Article
13 3 of the International Labor Organization Conven-
14 tion concerning the prohibition and immediate action
15 for the elimination of the worst forms of child labor
16 (December 2, 2000), or in violation of human
17 rights.”.

At the end of subtitle E of title V of division B of the bill, add the following:

1 **SEC. _____ . CERTIFICATION ON ENSURING NO HUMAN**
2 **RIGHTS ABUSES.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

4 (1) According to the International Energy
5 Agency—

6 (A) electric cars require significant
7 amounts of copper, lithium, nickel, manganese,
8 rare earth elements, platinum group elements,
9 and cobalt; and

10 (B) the top producer of cobalt is the
11 Democratic Republic of the Congo.

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

17 (3) The boys and girls working in mines in the
18 Democratic Republic of the Congo do not attend
19 school, they are beaten by security guards, and they
20 are exposed to high levels of cobalt, but are not
21 issued protective equipment.

22 (b) CERTIFICATION.—The Secretary of Commerce
23 shall certify that no funds for programs related to reduc-

1 ing green house gas emissions under this title are used
2 for minerals sourced or processed with child labor, as such
3 term is defined in Article 3 of the International Labor Or-
4 ganization Convention concerning the prohibition and im-
5 mediate action for the elimination of the worst forms of
6 child labor (December 2, 2000), or in violation of human
7 rights.

