

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540
OFFERED BY MR. ROONEY OF FLORIDA
(Defense Authorization Bill)

In section 4501 of division D, relating to the Defense Health Program, insert a new budget item in the amount of \$5,000,000.

In section _____ of division D, relating to _____, reduce the amount for _____ by \$_____, to be derived from _____.

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

1 **SEC. 14 __. BUDGET ITEM RELATING TO COMPETITIVE**
2 **PROGRAMS FOR ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE**
3 **USE DISORDERS.**

4 (a) ADDITIONAL, DISCRETIONARY BUDGET AUTHORITY.—In the budget submitted to Congress under section
5 ITY.—In the budget submitted to Congress under section
6 1105 of title 31, United States Code, for fiscal year 2012,
7 the President requested \$415,000,000 for the continued
8 support of wounded, ill, and injured medical research, to
9 include psychological health, traumatic brain injury, and
10 post-traumatic stress disorder. Of the amounts authorized

1 to be appropriated by section 1406, as specified in the cor-
2 responding funding table in division D, the Secretary of
3 Defense shall obligate an additional \$5,000,000 for the
4 continued support of a competitive program for
5 translational research centers tasked with addressing alco-
6 hol and substance abuse issues in furtherance of national
7 security objectives.

8 (b) MERIT-BASED OR COMPETITIVE DECISIONS.—A
9 decision to commit, obligate, or expend funds referred to
10 in the second sentence of subsection (a) with or to a spe-
11 cific entity shall—

12 (1) be based on merit-based selection proce-
13 dures in accordance with the requirements of sec-
14 tions 2304(k) and 2374 of title 10, United States
15 Code, or on competitive procedures; and

16 (2) comply with other applicable provisions of
17 law.

