

**AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. WEBER OF TEXAS
TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A
SUBSTITUTE**

At the end of section 122, add the following new subsection:

1 (b) U.S.-ISRAEL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOUN-
2 DATION.—The U.S.-Israel Science and Technology Foun-
3 dation, created pursuant to the 1994 Memorandum of Un-
4 derstanding between the United States Department of
5 Commerce and the Israeli Ministry of Industry and Trade
6 (now the Ministry of Economy) is authorized to facilitate
7 research and development and technology partnerships
8 among United States and Israeli researchers, and business
9 and industrial entities for purposes of advancing tech-
10 nologies, leading to commercialization and domestic manu-
11 facturing, and creating benefits for both nations. The De-
12 partment of Commerce, through the Deputy Secretary’s
13 office and in conjunction with Israel’s Ministry of Econo-
14 my’s Chief Scientist, shall ensure that the U.S.-Israel
15 Science and Technology Foundation maintains its role as
16 facilitator of the reauthorized 1994 Memorandum of Un-
17 derstanding to create and execute joint research and devel-
18 opment agreements between Israel and United States enti-

1 ties, including United States Federal agencies, States, cit-
2 ies, businesses, academic institutions, and scientific foun-
3 dations.

