

**AMENDMENT TO THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT
TITLE
OFFERED BY MR. MCINTYRE OF NORTH
CAROLINA**

At the end of the title, add the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . CRITERIA TO BE APPLIED IN CONSIDERING AP-**
2 **PLICATIONS FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT**
3 **PROJECTS.**

4 Subtitle D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural De-
5 velopment Act (7 U.S.C. 1981–2008r), as amended by
6 sections 610 and 611 of this Act, is amended by inserting
7 after section 367 the following:

8 **“SEC. 368. CRITERIA TO BE APPLIED IN CONSIDERING AP-**
9 **PLICATIONS FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT**
10 **PROJECTS.**

11 “In determining whether to approve an application
12 which is submitted under any program authorized or
13 modified by, or funded pursuant to, an amendment made
14 by title VI of the [insert short title of the farm bill], and
15 which proposes to serve a rural area (as defined by the
16 applicable law), the Secretary of Agriculture shall consider
17 the application more favorably when compared to other
18 applications to the extent that—

1 “(1) the median household income in the area
2 is lesser;
3 “(2) the area is less densely populated; and
4 “(3) the seasonal population increase in the
5 area is lesser.”.