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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require certain Federal agencies to establish consistent policies relating to forest biomass energy to help address the energy needs of the United States.

IN THE

AMENDMENT N^o 3140 ^{388.}

By *Collins*

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Ms. COLLINS to the amendment (No. 2953) proposed by Ms. MURKOWSKI

Viz:

- 1 At the end of part IV of subtitle A of title III, add
- 2 the following:
- 3 **SEC. 30** . POLICIES RELATING TO BIOMASS ENERGY.
- 4 To support the key role that forests in the United
- 5 States can play in addressing the energy needs of the
- 6 United States, the Secretary, the Secretary of Agriculture,
- 7 and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection
- 8 Agency shall ^{*consistent with their missions,*} jointly—
- 9 (1) ensure that Federal policy relating to forest
- 10 bioenergy—

1 (A) is consistent across all Federal depart-
2 ments and agencies; and

3 (B) recognizes the full benefits of the use
4 of forest biomass for energy, conservation, and
5 responsible forest management; and

6 (2) establish clear and simple policies for the
7 use of ^{forest} biomass as an energy solution, including poli-
8 cies that—

9 (A) reflect the carbon-neutrality of forest
10 bioenergy *and*

11 ~~(B)~~ recognize biomass as a renewable en-
12 ergy source *x*, *provided the use of forest biomass for*
13 *energy production does not cause*
(B) ~~(B)~~ encourage private investment through- *conversion of forests to non-forest*
14 *forest* *use.*

15 out the ^{forest} biomass supply chain, including in—

- 16 (i) working forests;
- 17 (ii) harvesting operations;
- 18 (iii) forest improvement operations;
- 19 (iv) ^{forest} bioenergy; *production*
- 20 (v) wood products; *and or* *manufacturing*
- 21 (vi) paper manufacturing;

22 (C) ~~(C)~~ encourage forest management to im-
23 prove forest health; and

24 (D) ~~(D)~~ recognize State initiatives to ^{produce and} use ^{bio-} ^{forest} biomass.