

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE  
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO HR 4843  
OFFERED BY MR. POLIS OF COLORADO**

Add at the end the following (and make such conforming changes as may be necessary):

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . NIH STUDY ON MEDICAL APPLICATION OF MARI-**  
2 **JUANA FOR PAIN MANAGEMENT.**

3 The Director of the National Institutes of Health  
4 shall—

5 (1) beginning not later than January 1, 2017,  
6 conduct or support a study on the medical applica-  
7 tion of marijuana for pain management, including—

8 (A) a comparison of the degree to which  
9 marijuana and opioids are addictive; and

10 (B) an assessment of the overdose deaths  
11 in States with and without medical marijuana  
12 laws;

13 (2) complete such study in an expedited man-  
14 ner; and

15 (3) submit a report to the appropriate commit-  
16 tees of the Congress on the results of such study.

