

AMENDMENT TO COMMITTEE PRINT #4**OFFERED BY MR. BUTTERFIELD AND MS. SOLIS**

Page 21, strike line 1 through line 12 and insert the following:

1 **SEC. 12. CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE.**

2 There are authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-
3 retary of Energy \$35,000,000 for fiscal year 2008, to re-
4 main available until expended, for the establishment of 7
5 Centers of Excellence to be located at North Carolina A&T
6 State University, South Carolina State University, Alcorn
7 State University, the University of Arkansas at Pine
8 Bluff, California State Polytechnic University in Pomona,
9 California, the University of Texas at San Antonio, and
10 the University of Houston-Downtown, each of which is a
11 1890 Land Grant Institution or a Hispanic-serving insti-
12 tution, to play a leading role in conducting research on
13 the use of cellulosic ethanol and biofuels as renewable
14 transportation fuels. Each university shall receive the sum
15 of \$5,000,000 for the authorized research.