

9 AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY
REPRESENTATIVE CHOCOLA OF
INDIANA, OR HIS DESIGNEE,
DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES.

~~AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3550, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. CHOCOLA~~

REV.

At the end of title I, insert the following (and conform the table of contents accordingly):

1 **SEC. 1819. ENGINE IDLING IN HEAVY-DUTY VEHICLES.**

2 (a) VERIFICATION.—Not later than 180 days after
3 the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of
4 the Environmental Protection Agency shall verify those
5 idling reduction technologies with the potential for fuel
6 savings and emissions reductions and publish a list of such
7 technologies in the Federal Register.

8 (b) VEHICLE WEIGHT EXEMPTION.—Section 127 of
9 title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
10 end the following:

11 “(i) VEHICLE WEIGHT EXEMPTION RELATING TO
12 ENGINE IDLING IN HEAVY-DUTY VEHICLES.—

13 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In order to promote reduction
14 tion of fuel use and emissions due to engine idling,
15 the maximum gross vehicle weight limit and the axle
16 weight limit under subsection (a) for any motor vehicle
17 equipped with an idling reduction technology
18 verified by the Environmental Protection Agency
19 shall be increased by the Secretary of Transpor-



1 tation by an amount necessary to compensate for the
2 additional weight of the idling reduction system, ex-
3 cept that the weight increase shall be no greater
4 than 400 pounds.

5 “(2) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection, the fol-
6 lowing definitions apply:

7 “(A) IDLING REDUCTION TECHNOLOGY.—
8 The term ‘idling reduction technology’ means a
9 device or system of devices utilized to reduce
10 long-duration idling of a vehicle.

11 “(B) HEAVY-DUTY VEHICLE.—The term
12 ‘heavy-duty vehicle’ means a vehicle that has a
13 gross vehicle weight rating greater than 8,500
14 pounds and is powered by a diesel engine.

15 “(C) LONG-DURATION IDLING.—The term
16 ‘long-duration idling’ means the operation of a
17 main drive engine, for a period greater than 15
18 consecutive minutes, where the main drive en-
19 gine is not engaged in gear. Such term does not
20 apply to routine stoppages associated with traf-
21 fic movement or congestion.”.

