

AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
 LARSON OF CONNECTICUT , OR HIS
DESIGNEE, TO BE DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES.

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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3598, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT**

In section 2(a)(1), strike “Commerce for Technology” and insert “Commerce for Manufacturing and Technology”.

Redesignate section 8 as section 9.

After section 7, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 8. MANUFACTURING AND TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATION.**
2 **TION.**

3 Section 5 of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3704) is amended to read
4 as follows:
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6 **“SEC. 5. MANUFACTURING AND TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATION.**
7 **TION.**

8 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the
9 Department of Commerce a Manufacturing and Technology Administration, which shall operate in accordance
10 with the provisions, findings, and purposes of this Act.
11 The Manufacturing and Technology Administration shall
12 include—
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14 “(1) the National Institute of Standards and
15 Technology;



1 “(2) the National Technical Information Serv-
2 ice; and

3 “(3) a policy analysis office, which shall be
4 known as the Office of Manufacturing and Tech-
5 nology Policy.

6 “(b) UNDER SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT SECRE-
7 TARIES.—The President shall appoint, by and with the ad-
8 vice and consent of the Senate, to the extent provided for
9 in appropriations Acts—

10 “(1) an Under Secretary of Commerce for Man-
11 ufacturing and Technology, who shall be com-
12 pensated at the rate provided for level III of the Ex-
13 ecutive Schedule in section 5314 of title 5, United
14 States Code;

15 “(2) an Assistant Secretary of Manufacturing
16 who shall serve as a policy analyst for the Under
17 Secretary; and

18 “(3) an Assistant Secretary of Technology who
19 shall serve as a policy analyst for the Under Sec-
20 retary.

21 “(c) DUTIES.—The Secretary, through the Under
22 Secretary, as appropriate, shall—

23 “(1) manage the Manufacturing and Tech-
24 nology Administration and supervise its agencies,
25 programs, and activities;



1 “(2) conduct manufacturing and technology pol-
2 icy analyses to improve United States industrial pro-
3 ductivity, manufacturing capabilities, and innova-
4 tion, and cooperate with United States industry to
5 improve its productivity, manufacturing capabilities,
6 and ability to compete successfully in an inter-
7 national marketplace;

8 “(3) identify manufacturing and technological
9 needs, problems, and opportunities within and across
10 industrial sectors, that, if addressed, could make sig-
11 nificant contributions to the economy of the United
12 States;

13 “(4) assess whether the capital, technical, and
14 other resources being allocated to domestic indus-
15 trial sectors which are likely to generate new tech-
16 nologies are adequate to meet private and social de-
17 mands for goods and services and to promote pro-
18 ductivity and economic growth;

19 “(5) propose and support studies and policy ex-
20 periments, in cooperation with other Federal agen-
21 cies, to determine the effectiveness of measures for
22 improving United States manufacturing capabilities
23 and productivity;

24 “(6) provide that cooperative efforts to stimu-
25 late industrial competitiveness and innovation be un-



1 dertaken between the Under Secretary and other of-
2 ficials in the Department of Commerce responsible
3 for such areas as trade and economic assistance;

4 “(7) encourage and assist the creation of cen-
5 ters and other joint initiatives by State or local gov-
6 ernments, regional organizations, private businesses,
7 institutions of higher education, nonprofit organiza-
8 tions, or Federal laboratories to encourage tech-
9 nology transfer, to encourage innovation, and to pro-
10 mote an appropriate climate for investment in tech-
11 nology-related industries;

12 “(8) propose and encourage cooperative re-
13 search involving appropriate Federal entities, State
14 or local governments, regional organizations, colleges
15 or universities, nonprofit organizations, or private
16 industry to promote the common use of resources, to
17 improve training programs and curricula, to stimu-
18 late interest in manufacturing and technology ca-
19 reers, and to encourage the effective dissemination
20 of manufacturing and technology skills within the
21 wider community;

22 “(9) serve as a focal point for discussions
23 among United States companies on topics of interest
24 to industry and labor, including discussions regard-



1 ing manufacturing, competitiveness, and emerging
2 technologies;

3 “(10) consider government measures with the
4 potential of advancing United States technological
5 innovation and exploiting innovations of foreign ori-
6 gin and publish the results of studies and policy ex-
7 periments; and

8 “(11) assist in the implementation of the Metric
9 Conversion Act of 1975 (15 U.S.C. 205a et seq.).”.

