

**Summary of Amendment offered by Rep. Baca
Regarding Federal Buy American Requirements**

The amendment expresses the findings of Congress that Federal law requires products purchased with Federal funds to be of domestic origin, to the extent practicable; that such requirements benefit domestic producers; and that the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the use of domestic food products for the meals in the program. Further, the amendment urges the U.S. Department of Agriculture to undertake training, guidance, and enforcement of such requirements.

AMENDMENT TO COMMITTEE PRINT
OFFERED BY MR. BACA OF CALIFORNIA

At an appropriate place, insert the following (and make such technical and conforming changes as may be appropriate):

1 **SEC. ____ . BUY AMERICAN REQUIREMENTS.**

2 (a) **FINDINGS.**—The Congress finds the following:

3 (1) Federal law requires that commodities and
4 products purchased with Federal funds be, to the ex-
5 tent practicable, of domestic origin.

6 (2) Federal Buy American statutory require-
7 ments seek to ensure that purchases made with Fed-
8 eral funds benefit domestic producers.

9 (3) The Richard B. Russell National School
10 Lunch Act requires the use of domestic food prod-
11 ucts for all meals served under the program, includ-
12 ing foods products purchased with local funds.

13 (b) **BUY AMERICAN STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS.**—
14 The Department of Agriculture should undertake training,
15 guidance, and enforcement of the various current Buy
16 American statutory requirements and regulations, includ-
17 ing those of the National School Lunch Act and the DOD
18 Fresh program.