

**AMENDMENT TO COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE  
APPROPRIATIONS BILL  
OFFERED BY MR. FLAKE OF ARIZONA**

At the appropriate place in the committee report under the heading “Office of Science and Technology” and subheading “Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) education” insert the following:

1       The Committee also notes the emerging consensus  
2 that the U.S. economy is little served when the flexibility  
3 of U.S. employers to retain graduate-level talent in STEM  
4 fields from American universities is hampered. The Com-  
5 mittee encourages OSTP to work with the relevant author-  
6 izing committees to ensure the U.S. economy has the tal-  
7 ent it needs to maintain its position at the forefront of  
8 competitiveness and innovation in the global marketplace.

