

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

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**AMENDMENT TO H. R. 250, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT**

At the end of the bill, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 10. MANUFACTURING AND TECHNOLOGY ADMINIS-**  
2 **TRATION.**

3 Section 5 of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Inno-  
4 vation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3704) is amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 **“SEC. 5. MANUFACTURING AND TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRA-**  
7 **TION.**

8 **“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—**There is established in the  
9 Department of Commerce a Manufacturing and Tech-  
10 nology Administration, which shall operate in accordance  
11 with the provisions, findings, and purposes of this Act.  
12 The Manufacturing and Technology Administration shall  
13 include—

14 **“(1)** the National Institute of Standards and  
15 Technology;

16 **“(2)** the National Technical Information Serv-  
17 ice; and

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



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

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

10              “(2) an Assistant Secretary of Manufacturing  
11 who shall serve as a policy analyst for the Under  
12 Secretary; and

13              “(3) an Assistant Secretary of Technology who  
14 shall serve as a policy analyst for the Under Sec-  
15 retary.

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

18              “(1) manage the Manufacturing and Tech-  
19 nology Administration and supervise its agencies,  
20 programs, and activities;

21              “(2) conduct manufacturing and technology pol-  
22 icy analyses to improve United States industrial pro-  
23 ductivity, manufacturing capabilities, and innova-  
24 tion, and cooperate with United States industry to  
25 improve its productivity, manufacturing capabilities,



1 and ability to compete successfully in an inter-  
2 national marketplace;

3 “(3) identify manufacturing and technological  
4 needs, problems, and opportunities within and across  
5 industrial sectors, that, if addressed, could make sig-  
6 nificant contributions to the economy of the United  
7 States;

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

14 “(5) propose and support studies and policy ex-  
15 periments, in cooperation with other Federal agen-  
16 cies, to determine the effectiveness of measures for  
17 improving United States manufacturing capabilities  
18 and productivity;

19 “(6) provide that cooperative efforts to stimu-  
20 late industrial competitiveness and innovation be un-  
21 dertaken between the Under Secretary and other of-  
22 ficials in the Department of Commerce responsible  
23 for such areas as trade and economic assistance;

24 “(7) encourage and assist the creation of cen-  
25 ters and other joint initiatives by State or local gov-



1 ernments, regional organizations, private businesses,  
2 institutions of higher education, nonprofit organiza-  
3 tions, or Federal laboratories to encourage tech-  
4 nology transfer, to encourage innovation, and to pro-  
5 mote an appropriate climate for investment in tech-  
6 nology-related industries;

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

17 “(9) serve as a focal point for discussions  
18 among United States companies on topics of interest  
19 to industry and labor, including discussions regard-  
20 ing manufacturing, competitiveness, and emerging  
21 technologies;

22 “(10) consider government measures with the  
23 potential of advancing United States technological  
24 innovation and exploiting innovations of foreign ori-



1       gin and publish the results of studies and policy ex-  
2       periments; and

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

