AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2647, AS REPORTED OFFERED BY MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA

At the end of subtitle G of title V (page 158, after line 9), add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 575. RETROACTIVE AWARD OF ARMY COMBAT ACTION**
2 **BADGE.**

3 (a) AUTHORITY TO AWARD.—The Secretary of the
4 Army may award the Army Combat Action Badge (estab-
5 lished by order of the Secretary of the Army through
6 Headquarters, Department of the Army Letter 600–05–
7 1, dated June 3, 2005) to a person who, while a member
8 of the Army, participated in combat during which the per-
9 son personally engaged, or was personally engaged by, the
10 enemy at any time during the period beginning on Decem-
11 ber 7, 1941, and ending on September 18, 2001 (the date
12 of the otherwise applicable limitation on retroactivity for
13 the award of such decoration), if the Secretary determines
14 that the person has not been previously recognized in an
15 appropriate manner for such participation.

16 (b) PROCUREMENT OF BADGE.—The Secretary of
17 the Army may make arrangements with suppliers of the
18 Army Combat Action Badge so that eligible recipients of

1 the Army Combat Action Badge pursuant to subsection
2 (a) may procure the badge directly from suppliers, thereby
3 eliminating or at least substantially reducing administra-
4 tive costs for the Army to carry out this section.