127. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NUGENT OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540, AS REPORTED

OFFERED BY MR. NUGENT OF FLORIDA

At end of subtitle C of title V, add the following new section:

SEC. 527. RETROACTIVE AWARD OF ARMY COMBAT ACTION BADGE.

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

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

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