

3. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE TONKO OF NEW YORK OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. TONKO OF NEW YORK**

Page 92, after line 12, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 254. APPLICATION OF RNA BIOLOGICAL AND FUNC-**  
2 **TIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.**

3 In carrying out the medical advanced technology pro-  
4 gram, the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that, when  
5 applicable, RNA biological and functional science and  
6 technology are used for research in which RNA may be  
7 a translational tool and potentially therapeutic, includ-  
8 ing—

- 9 (1) infectious diseases employed by terrorists or  
10 other entities to have a battlefield effect;  
11 (2) memory disorders;  
12 (3) rare diseases; and  
13 (4) other diseases affecting military readiness.

