

88. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
COFFMAN OF COLORADO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR
10 MINUTES

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. COFFMAN OF COLORADO**

Page 203, after line 12, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 547. REPORT ON TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR**
2 **OFF-DUTY TRAINING OR EDUCATION.**

3 Not later than 270 days after the date of the enact-
4 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit
5 to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and
6 House of Representatives a report on methods to increase
7 the efficiency of the tuition assistance program under sec-
8 tion 2007 of title 10, United States Code. Such report
9 shall include—

10 (1) a description of the effect of the program
11 on recruiting and retention within the Armed
12 Forces;

13 (2) an analysis of other programs that provide
14 benefits similar to those provided through the pro-
15 gram, including the use of educational assistance
16 programs under chapters 30 and 33 of title 38,
17 United States Code, for education and training pur-
18 sued by members of the Armed Forces serving on
19 active duty while they are off-duty; and

1 (3) a description of the effects of modifying the
2 program to require members of the Armed Forces
3 participating in the program to pay for 25 percent
4 of their education expenses and the Secretary con-
5 cerned to pay the remaining 75 percent of such ex-
6 penses.

