

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 7023
OFFERED BY MR. GRAVES OF LOUISIANA**

Page 11, after line 21, insert the following:

1 SEC. 7. FEDERAL GENERAL PERMITS.

2 Section 402(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Con-
3 trol Act (33 U.S.C. 1342(a)) is amended by adding at the
4 end the following:

5 “(6)(A) The Administrator is authorized to issue gen-
6 eral permits under this section for discharges of similar
7 types from similar sources.

8 “(B) The Administrator may require submission of
9 a notice of intent to be covered under a general permit
10 issued under this section, including additional information
11 that the Administrator determines necessary.

12 “(C) If a general permit issued under this section will
13 expire and the Administrator decides not to issue a new
14 general permit for discharges similar to those covered by
15 the expiring general permit, the Administrator shall pub-
16 lish in the Federal Register a notice of such decision at
17 least two years prior to the expiration of the general per-
18 mit.

1 “(D) If a general permit issued under this section
2 expires and the Administrator has not published a notice
3 in accordance with subparagraph (C), until such time as
4 the Administrator issues a new general permit for dis-
5 charges similar to those covered by the expired general
6 permit, the Administrator shall—

7 “(i) continue to apply the terms, conditions,
8 and requirements of the expired general permit to
9 any discharge that was covered by the expired gen-
10 eral permit; and

11 “(ii) apply such terms, conditions, and require-
12 ments to any discharge that would have been cov-
13 ered by the expired general permit (in accordance
14 with any relevant requirements for such coverage) if
15 the discharge had occurred before such expiration.”.

