

3. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
MARKEY OF MASSACHUSETTS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE
FOR 10 MINUTES

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**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 112-
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OFFERED BY MR. MARKEY**

Page 7, after line 22, insert the following new sub-
section:

1 (h) The lead agency with responsibility for issuing a
2 mineral exploration or mine permit for hardrock minerals
3 on Federal land after the date of enactment of this Act
4 shall require a royalty payment of 12.5 percent of the
5 value of the minerals produced pursuant to the permit.
6 Amounts received by the United States as such royalties
7 shall be available to the Secretary of the Interior, subject
8 to the availability of appropriations and in addition to
9 amounts otherwise available, for abandoned hardrock mine
10 lands reclamation.

