

**AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. WELCH OF
VERMONT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 8**

In chapter 1 of subtitle A of title IV, add at the end the following new section:

1 **SEC. 4115. CONTRACTS FOR FEDERAL PURCHASES OF EN-**
2 **ERGY.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part 3 of title V of the National
4 Energy Conservation Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 8251 et seq.)
5 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

6 **“SEC. 554. LONG-TERM CONTRACTS FOR ENERGY.**

7 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section
8 501(b)(1)(B) of title 40, United States Code, a Federal
9 agency may enter into a contract for the acquisition of
10 renewable energy or energy from cogeneration facilities
11 covering a period of not more than 30 years.

12 “(b) STANDARDIZED ENERGY PURCHASE AGREE-
13 MENT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enact-
14 ment of this section, the Secretary, through the Federal
15 Energy Management Program, shall publish a standard-
16 ized energy purchase agreement, setting forth commercial
17 terms and conditions, that Federal agencies may use to

1 acquire renewable energy or energy from cogeneration fa-
2 cilities.

3 “(c) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary shall
4 provide technical assistance to assist Federal agencies in
5 implementing this section.”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS AMENDMENT.—The table
7 of contents for such Act is amended by adding at the end
8 of the items relating to such part 3 the following new item:

“Sec. 554. Long-term contracts for energy.”.

