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Amendment #9

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To restrict the use of Federal Funds for gain-of-function research.

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To prepare for, and respond to, existing viruses, emerging new threats, and pandemics.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. BRAUN

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place in subtitle C of title III, in-
2 sert the following:

3 **SEC. 32 . RESTRICTIONS ON FEDERAL FUNDING OF CER-**
4 **TAIN GAIN-OF-FUNCTION RESEARCH.**

5 (a) GAIN-OF-FUNCTION RESEARCH DEFINITION.—In
6 this section, the term “gain-of-function research” means
7 any research that—

8 (1) may be reasonably anticipated to confer at-
9 tributes to influenza, MERS, or SARS viruses such
10 that the virus would have enhanced pathogenicity or
11 transmissibility in any organism; or

1 (2) involves the enhancement of potential pan-
2 demic pathogens or related risky research with po-
3 tentially dangerous pathogens.

4 (b) FUNDING LIMITATIONS.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
6 provision of law, no Federal funding made available
7 to carry out any provision of this Act (including any
8 amendments made by this Act) may be made avail-
9 able for any purpose, including under any contract,
10 grant, subgrant, or other assistance, to laboratories
11 or research institutions for the purposes of gain-of-
12 function research.

13 (2) CERTIFICATION.—Any recipient of funding
14 from the Department of Health and Human Services
15 for the purposes of scientific research shall certify to
16 the issuing authority that such recipient will not dis-
17 tribute any such Federal funds, whether directly or
18 through subgrants, to any qualifying laboratory or
19 research institution for the purposes of gain-of-func-
20 tion research.