

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. ARRINGTON OF TEXAS**

Page 337, after line 18, insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . REFINANCING OF CERTAIN RURAL HOSPITAL**  
2 **DEBT.**

3 Subtitle D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural De-  
4 velopment Act (7 U.S.C. 1981 et seq.) is amended by in-  
5 serting after section 341 the following:

6 **“SEC. 342. REFINANCING OF CERTAIN RURAL HOSPITAL**  
7 **DEBT.**

8 “Assistance under section 306(a) for a community fa-  
9 cility or under section 310B may include the refinancing  
10 of a debt obligation of a rural hospital as an eligible loan  
11 or loan guarantee purpose if the assistance would help pre-  
12 serve access to a health service in a rural community and  
13 meaningfully improve the financial position of the hos-  
14 pital.”.

