

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 3389
OFFERED BY MR. WESTERMAN OF ARKANSAS**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SEC. 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Emergency Wildfire
3 Fighting Technology Act of 2023”.

**4 SEC. 2. CONTAINER AERIAL FIREFIGHTING SYSTEM
5 (CAFFS).**

6 (a) EVALUATION.—Not later than 90 days after the
7 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agri-
8 culture and the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation
9 with the National Interagency Aviation Committee and the
10 Interagency Airtanker Board, shall jointly conduct an
11 evaluation of the container aerial firefighting system to as-
12 sess the use of such system to mitigate and suppress
13 wildfires.

14 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 120 days after the date
15 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture
16 and the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the
17 National Interagency Aviation Committee and the Inter-
18 agency Airtanker Board, shall jointly submit to the appro-

1 p r i a t e c o m m i t t e e s a r e p o r t e d t h a t i n c l u d e s t h e r e s u l t s o f t h e
2 e v a l u a t i o n r e q u i r e d u n d e r s u b s e c t i o n (a) .

3 (c) A P P R O P R I A T E C O M M I T T E E S D E F I N E D . — I n t h i s
4 s e c t i o n , t h e t e r m “ a p p r o p r i a t e c o m m i t t e e s ” m e a n s —

5 (1) t h e C o m m i t t e e s o n A g r i c u l t u r e a n d N a t u r a l
6 R e s o u r c e s o f t h e H o u s e o f R e p r e s e n t a t i v e s ; a n d

7 (2) t h e C o m m i t t e e s o n A g r i c u l t u r e , N u t r i t i o n ,
8 a n d F o r e s t r y a n d E n e r g y a n d N a t u r a l R e s o u r c e s o f
9 t h e S e n a t e .

