

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5780

OFFERED BY MR. RUIZ

Page 6, after line 5, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 4. PROTECTION AND EXCLUSION OF UTE INDIAN**
2 **TRIBE'S RESERVATION, SOVEREIGNTY, AND**
3 **WATER RIGHTS.**

4 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act and
5 any map referenced by this Act to the contrary, none of
6 the provisions of this Act—

7 (1) apply to lands, waters, roads, or any other
8 resources within the exterior boundary of the Uintah
9 and Ouray Reservation of the Ute Indian Tribe;

10 (2) apply to Federal or tribal jurisdiction over
11 energy permitting, rights-of-way, or any other exist-
12 ing jurisdiction or authority within the exterior
13 boundary of such reservation; or

14 (3) limit the ability of the Ute Indian Tribe
15 ability to administer, utilize, regulate, and enforce
16 its water rights under Federal and tribal law.

