

Amendment to the Chairman's Mark

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**Promote Scientific Jobs and Provide a National Investment in  
Biomedical Research**

1. Increase mandatory budget authority and outlays for Function 550 by the following amounts in billions of dollars to promote scientific jobs and ensure an expanded and sustained national investment in biomedical research at the National Institutes of Health.

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
BA	<b>2.000</b>	<b>2.181</b>	<b>2.363</b>	<b>2.552</b>	<b>2.747</b>	<b>2.936</b>	<b>3.139</b>	<b>3.362</b>	<b>3.600</b>	<b>3.846</b>
Outlays	<b>1.006</b>	<b>1.664</b>	<b>2.030</b>	<b>2.269</b>	<b>2.536</b>	<b>2.722</b>	<b>2.915</b>	<b>3.121</b>	<b>3.342</b>	<b>3.574</b>

2. Adjust the aggregate levels of revenue by amounts equal to the foregoing outlay changes in paragraph 1, reflecting the reduction or elimination of: 1) tax subsidies for the major integrated oil companies; 2) egregious tax breaks such as special depreciation for corporate jets; 3) loopholes in our international corporate tax system that encourage firms to ship jobs and capital overseas and shelter their profits in foreign tax havens, resulting in fewer American jobs to support the middle class; 4) tax breaks for those with adjusted gross incomes above \$1 million annually; or adoption of 5) selected business tax reform proposals from Title III of the Tax Reform Act of 2014 such as repealing the existing exemptions to the \$1 million limit on compensation for CEOs and other specified corporate employees that a publicly traded corporation can deduct as a business expense.
3. Make all necessary and conforming changes to the Chairman's mark.
4. Amend the committee report to reflect the following policy assumptions:

The resolution ensures sustained funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to support technical research jobs and to ensure that vital biomedical research programs are not jeopardized by declines in NIH's real, inflation-adjusted, funding levels.

NIH research prolongs life, reduces disability, and strengthens the economy. NIH investments allow scientists to make fundamental biomedical advances and conduct the clinical research that transforms discoveries into medical practice, improving America's health. The results of its research continue to lead to new treatments for a wide range of illnesses and diseases, revolutionizing patient care. NIH is the largest single source of

biomedical research in the world, and this research contributes to economic growth in communities across America, producing well-paying jobs for individuals and helping to keep the United States globally competitive. The important contributions of NIH led to a consistent increase in NIH's budget from in 1977 to 2005, and a full doubling of its budget took place under both a Democratic and Republican president from 1998 to 2005. However, since this time, growth in NIH's budget has not kept pace with inflation, leading to a decline in real purchasing power. From 2010 to 2013, funding for the agency has decreased by 11.4 percent in real (inflation-adjusted) terms. Sustained funding for research at NIH will maximize the return on this investment in our nation's future.

The resolution accommodates this necessary level of funding for scientific jobs and vital biomedical research by reducing or eliminating some of the following: tax subsidies for the major integrated oil companies; egregious tax breaks such as special depreciation for corporate jets; loopholes in our international corporate tax system that encourage firms to ship jobs and capital overseas and shelter their profits in foreign tax havens; tax breaks for those with adjusted gross incomes above \$1 million annually; or adopting selected business tax reform proposals from the Tax Reform Act of 2014 such as repealing the existing exemptions to the \$1 million limit on compensation for CEOs and other specified corporate employees that a publicly traded corporation can deduct as a business expense.