

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
OFFERED BY MS. Foxx**

At the end of subpart I of part A of title IV, add the following:

1 **SEC. 4017. EARNINGS REQUIREMENT FOR ELIGIBLE PRO-**
2 **GRAMS.**

3 Section 401 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
4 U.S.C. 1070a), as amended by this subpart, is further
5 amended by adding at the end the following:

6 “(o) EARNINGS REQUIREMENT FOR ELIGIBLE PRO-
7 GRAMS.—A program of study shall not be considered an
8 eligible program under this section unless the program
9 provides to the Secretary the annual earnings expected to
10 be paid in the sectors or occupations for which the pro-
11 gram provides instruction not later than 6 months after
12 completion of such program (in this subsection referred
13 to as the ‘expected earnings’), as such earnings are deter-
14 mined by an industry or sector partnership in the State
15 or local area in which the program is provided, and which
16 shall be—

17 “(1) greater than the average or median annual
18 earnings paid to individuals with only a high school

1 diploma (or the equivalent) based on the most re-
2 cently available data from the Bureau of Labor Sta-
3 tistics or the Bureau of the Census with respect to
4 such State or local area, or the Nation as a whole,
5 as selected by such program; and
6 “(2) validated by the Secretary.”.

