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ACTION: AMENDMENT NUMBER 3384 by MR. MATHIAS

MATHIAS AMENDMENT NO. 3384

Mr. DOLE (for Mr. MATHIAS) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1538, supra, as follows:

Section 156(a) of title 35, United States Code, as added by section 2(a) of the bill is amended in the first sentence by striking out "registration" after "statutory invention" and inserting in lieu thereof "recording".

Section 156(c) of such title 35, as added by section 2(a) is amended by striking out the final quotation marks and final period.

Section 156 of such title 35 is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(d) The Secretary of Commerce shall convene an interagency committee to coordinate policy on the use of the statutory invention recording procedure by agencies of the United States. Such policy shall ordinarily require use of the statutory invention recording procedure for inventions as to which the United States may have the right of ownership that do not have commercial potential. The interagency committee shall also, after obtaining views from the public, establish standards for evaluating the commercial potential of inventions to which the government may have the right of ownership. The head of each agency which has a significant research program (as determined by the Secretary of Commerce) shall designate either the senior technology transfer official or the senior research policy official to participate as a member of the interagency committee. The Secretary of Commerce shall report to the Congress annually on the use of statutory invention recordings. Such report shall include an assessment of the degree to which agencies of the Federal Government are making use of the statutory invention recording system, the degree to which it aids the management of federally developed technology, and an assessment of the cost savings to the Federal Government of the use of such procedures."

Strike out section 2 (c) of the bill.

Section 21(a) of the bill is amended by striking out paragraph (1) and redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as paragraphs (1) and (2), respectively.