

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4186**  
**OFFERED BY MR. PETERS OF CALIFORNIA**

Page 105, after line 10, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 422. NATIONAL ACADEMIES REPORT ON UNIVERSITY**  
2 **INCUBATORS AND ACCELERATORS.**

3 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment  
4 of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce shall enter into  
5 an arrangement with the National Academy of Sciences  
6 to conduct a study on the role of incubators and accelera-  
7 tors, including university-based incubators and accelera-  
8 tors, in the commercialization of federally funded research  
9 and regional economic development. The study shall—

10 (1) examine the effectiveness of incubators and  
11 accelerators in stimulating the creation of start-ups,  
12 including metrics for comparing start-ups that have  
13 and have not completed incubator or accelerator pro-  
14 grams, and developing regional innovation clusters;  
15 and

16 (2) identify best practices in the structure,  
17 goals, operation, management, and funding mecha-  
18 nisms of leading incubators and accelerators.

