

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE  
TO H.R. 2408**

**OFFERED BY M<sub>rs</sub> Capps**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Scleroderma Research  
3 and Awareness Act of 2010”.

**4 SEC. 2. NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ARTHRITIS AND MUS-  
5 CULOSKELETAL AND SKIN DISEASES;  
6 SCLERODERMA RESEARCH EXPANSION.**

7 Part B of title IV of the Public Health Service Act  
8 (42 U.S.C. 284 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
9 the following:

10 “SCLERODERMA RESEARCH

11 “SEC. 409K. The Director of NIH may expand, in-  
12 tensify, and coordinate the activities of the National Insti-  
13 tutes of Health with respect to scleroderma, with par-  
14 ticular emphasis on the following:

15 “(1) Research focused on the etiology of  
16 scleroderma and the development of new treatment  
17 options.

1           “(2) Clinical research to evaluate new treat-  
2           ments options.

3           “(3) Basic research on the relationship between  
4           scleroderma and secondary conditions such as pul-  
5           monary hypertension, gastroparesis, Raynaud’s phe-  
6           nomenon, Sjögren’s Syndrome, and other diseases as  
7           determined by the Director.”.

8 **SEC. 3. PROMOTING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF**  
9 **SCLERODERMA.**

10         Part P of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.  
11         280g et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
12         lowing:

13 **“SEC. 399V-5. PROMOTING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF**  
14 **SCLERODERMA.**

15         “The Secretary may carry out an educational cam-  
16         paign to increase public awareness of scleroderma. Print,  
17         video, and Web-based materials distributed through this  
18         campaign may include—

19                 “(1) basic information on scleroderma and its  
20                 symptoms; and

21                 “(2) information on—

22                         “(A) the incidence and prevalence of  
23                         scleroderma;

24                         “(B) diseases and conditions affiliated with  
25                         scleroderma; or

1                   “(C) the importance of early diagnosis and  
2                   treatment of scleroderma.”.

