Under the bill, its agencies would be provided with two important new tools for effectively commercializing on-the-shelf, federally owned technologies, either licensing them as stand-alone inventions under the bill’s revised authorities or entering into a Cooperative Research and Development Act, or by including them as part of a larger package under the Cooperative Research and Development Agreement.

In doing so, this will make both mechanisms much more attractive to U.S. companies that are striving to form partnerships with Federal laboratories.

Let me just close by noting that the bill before us represents a bipartisan and bicameral consensus. I am pleased to have worked very closely with Members of the minority, the administration, and the Senate in helping to perfect the bill since it was originally introduced.

I am especially pleased that the administration has issued a Statement of Administration Policy which states that the administration supports passage of H.R. 209, which will significantly facilitate the licensing of government-owned inventions by Federal agencies.

I want to thank the chairman of the full committee, the Committee on Science, the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. SENSENBRENNER), for his leadership; the ranking member of the Subcommittee on Technology of the Committee on Science, the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. BARTON). I certainly want to commend the ranking member on the committee. I also want to commend some members of the other body, Senators ROCKEFELLER, FRIST, HATCH, and LEAHY for their input and for their support in helping to refine the legislation.

I look forward to the President’s signature of this important bill into law. I want to point out that staff also helped enormously. Barry Berringer, J. Jim Turner, Jeff Grove, and Ben Wu especially worked hard on this.

The Federal laboratories are eager to receive the new authorities contained in this bill, and I urge all of my colleagues to support H.R. 209.

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GIBRAN). Mr. Speaker, I yield to Mr. GORDON.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

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(1) in subsection (b), by striking "one year" and inserting "3 years"; and

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Florida? There was no objection.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida (Mr. CANADY).