

**En Bloc Amendments to H.R. 4435**  
**National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015**  
 Wednesday, May 7, 2014

Full Committee		
En Bloc # 3		
Log #	Sponsor	Description
002	Jones	Requires the Secretary of Defense to determine and disclose transportation costs incurred by DOD for congressional trips outside the U.S.
041r1	Speier	Requires the DOD to appoint someone to be responsible for insuring compliance with post-employment ethics training guidelines and documentation and report back to congressional defense committees in 180 days.
087r1	Gibson	Prioritizes U.S. efforts to combat gender-based violence by ensuring proper congressional oversight of the DOD's ongoing role in this effort.
134	Forbes	Sense of Congress regarding the continued importance of the U.S.-Japan alliance for Asia-Pacific stability and prosperity.
136r1	Forbes	Sense of Congress regarding the continued importance of the U.S.-Republic of Korea alliance for Asia-Pacific stability and prosperity.
138	Forbes	Modifies the DOD's annual report to Congress concerning China's military capabilities to include its developments in maritime law enforcement capabilities and organization.
139r1	Forbes	Requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report by April 1, 2015 on the maritime capabilities of Taiwan and its contribution to regional peace and stability, and expresses a sense of Congress.
143r1	Forbes	Requires an independent assessment of anti-access/area-denial capabilities that pose a threat to security in the Asia-Pacific region and strategies to mitigate such threats.
161	Bishop	Provides the Secretary of Defense with discretion to condition the final federal approval for construction on federal land underneath the Special Use Areas attached to the White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico, upon finding that such structures may potentially adversely impact military readiness.
244r1	Tsongas	Requires GAO to report on the transport of security-sensitive materials under the Transportation Protective Services program.
248r2	Rigell	Requires the use of best value tradeoff source selection methods to the maximum extent practicable for procurement of personal protective equipment or critical safety items.

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435**  
**OFFERED BY MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA**

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_.** **DETERMINATION AND DISCLOSURE OF TRANSPORTATION COSTS INCURRED BY THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR CONGRESSIONAL TRIPS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.**

5 (a) **DETERMINATION AND DISCLOSURE OF COSTS BY SECRETARY.**—In the case of a trip taken by a Member, officer, or employee of the House of Representatives or Senate in carrying out official duties outside the United States for which the Department of Defense provides transportation, the Secretary of Defense shall—

11 (1) determine the cost of the transportation provided with respect to the Member, officer, or employee;

14 (2) not later than 10 days after completion of the trip involved, provide a written statement of the cost—

17 (A) to the Member, officer, or employee involved, and

1 (B) to the Committee on Armed Services  
2 of the House of Representatives (in the case of  
3 a trip taken by a Member, officer, or employee  
4 of the House) or the Committee on Armed  
5 Services of the Senate (in the case of a trip  
6 taken by a Member, officer, or employee of the  
7 Senate); and

8 (3) upon providing a written statement under  
9 paragraph (2), make the statement available for  
10 viewing on the Secretary's official public website  
11 until the expiration of the 4-year period which be-  
12 gins on the final day of the trip involved.

13 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—This section does not apply with  
14 respect to any trip the sole purpose of which is to visit  
15 one or more United States military installations or to visit  
16 United States military personnel in a war zone (or both).

17 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) MEMBER.—The term “Member”, with re-  
19 spect to the House of Representatives, includes a  
20 Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress.

21 (2) UNITED STATES.—The term “United  
22 States” means the several States, the District of Co-  
23 lumbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Com-  
24 monwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the

1 Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and any  
2 other territory or possession of the United States.

3 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with  
4 respect to trips taken on or after the date of the enact-  
5 ment of this Act, except that this section does not apply  
6 with respect to any trip which began prior to such date.



**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435**  
**OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA**

At the appropriate place in title VIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 8\_\_\_ . COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR SEN-**  
2 **IOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OFFICIALS**  
3 **SEEKING EMPLOYMENT WITH DEFENSE CON-**  
4 **TRACTORS.**

5 Section 847 of the National Defense Authorization  
6 Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110–181; 10 U.S.C.  
7 1701 note) is amended—

8 (1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-  
9 section (e); and

10 (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
11 lowing new subsection (d):

12 “(d) COMPLIANCE.—

13 “(1) OFFICIAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
14 shall designate an official of the Department of De-  
15 fense to ensure the compliance of this section.

16 “(2) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after  
17 the date of the enactment of this subsection, such  
18 designated official shall submit to the congressional

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1 defense committees a report on the compliance of  
2 this section.”.



**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435**  
**OFFERED BY MR. GIBSON OF NEW YORK**

At the appropriate place in title XII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_. REQUIREMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO**  
2 **CONTINUE IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED**  
3 **STATES STRATEGY TO PREVENT AND RE-**  
4 **SPOND TO GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE GLOB-**  
5 **ALLY AND PARTICIPATION IN INTERAGENCY**  
6 **WORKING GROUP.**

7 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
8 gress that—

9 (1) the most dangerous places to be a woman  
10 are some of the most unstable and violent regions in  
11 the world and gender-based violence will impact one  
12 in three women worldwide and this in turn has a di-  
13 rect impact on United States national security, the  
14 stability of nations, the rule of law, democracy, and  
15 peace-building processes;

16 (2) combating violence against women and girls  
17 through the implementation and integration of gen-  
18 der-based violence prevention and response mecha-  
19 nisms throughout United States overseas operations

1 is a critical step toward promoting regional and  
2 global stability and achieving sustainable peace and  
3 security;

4 (3) under the Joint Explanatory Statement of  
5 the Committee of Conference accompanying the De-  
6 partment of State, Foreign Operations, and Related  
7 Programs Appropriations Act, 2012 (H.R. 2055,  
8 One Hundred Twelfth Congress), the Secretary of  
9 State and the Administrator of the United States  
10 Agency for International Development were directed  
11 in the matter relating to section 7061 to submit to  
12 Congress a multi-year strategy to prevent and re-  
13 spond to violence against women and girls in coun-  
14 tries where it is common through achievable and  
15 sustainable goals, benchmarks for measuring  
16 progress, and expected results, including through  
17 regular engagement with men and boys as commu-  
18 nity leaders and advocates in ending such violence;

19 (4) Executive Order 13623 of August 10, 2012  
20 (77 Fed. Reg. 49345) established the United States  
21 Strategy to Prevent and Respond to Gender-based  
22 Violence Globally (in this section referred to as the  
23 “Strategy”), the first such strategy submitted pur-  
24 suant to the matter relating to section 7061 under  
25 the Joint Explanatory Statement of the Committee



1 of Conference accompanying the Department of  
2 State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs  
3 Appropriations Act, 2012;

4 (5) Executive Order 13623 required the De-  
5 partment of Defense to participate in an Interagency  
6 Working Group co-chaired by the Department of  
7 State and the United States Agency for Inter-  
8 national Development to implement the Strategy;  
9 and

10 (6) since the authority for the Strategy was es-  
11 tablished initially in the matter relating to section  
12 7061 under the Joint Explanatory Statement of the  
13 Committee of Conference accompanying the Depart-  
14 ment of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Pro-  
15 grams Appropriations Act, 2012, it is important for  
16 Congress to maintain its appropriate oversight over  
17 the implementation of the Strategy.

18 (b) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
20 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
21 retary of Defense shall brief the appropriate con-  
22 gressional committees on efforts of the Department  
23 of Defense relating to participation in the Inter-  
24 agency Working Group to implement the Strategy.

1           (2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—As part of  
2 the briefings, the Secretary shall describe specifically  
3 efforts of the Department of Defense in the Inter-  
4 agency Working Group to implement international  
5 violence against women and girls prevention and re-  
6 sponse strategies, funding allocations, programming,  
7 and associated outcomes.

8           (3) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
9 TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “ap-  
10 propriate congressional committees” means—

11                   (A) the Committee on Armed Services and  
12 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-  
13 ate; and

14                   (B) the Committee on Armed Services and  
15 the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House  
16 of Representatives.

17           (c) REQUIREMENT TO CONTINUE IMPLEMENTATION  
18 OF STRATEGY AND PARTICIPATION IN INTERAGENCY  
19 WORKING GROUP.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure  
20 that the Department of Defense—

21                   (1) during the current period of the Strategy,  
22 continues to implement the Strategy as appropriate  
23 by reason of the role of the Department of Defense  
24 in the Interagency Working Group; and

1 (2) continues to participate in interagency col-  
2 laborative efforts to prevent and respond to violence  
3 against women and girls.



**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435**  
**OFFERED BY MR. FORBES OF VIRGINIA**

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title XII,  
insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_. SENSE OF CONGRESS REAFFIRMING SECURITY**  
2 **COMMITMENT TO JAPAN.**

3 It is the sense of Congress that—

4 (1) the United States highly values its alliance  
5 with the Government of Japan as a cornerstone of  
6 peace and security in the region, based on shared  
7 values of democracy, the rule of law, free and open  
8 markets, and respect for human rights in order to  
9 promote peace, security, stability, and economic  
10 prosperity in the Asia-Pacific region;

11 (2) the United States welcomes Japan's deter-  
12 mination to contribute more proactively to regional  
13 and global peace and security;

14 (3) the United States supports recent increases  
15 in Japanese defense funding, adoption of a National  
16 Security Strategy, formation of security institutions  
17 such as the Japanese National Security Council, and  
18 other moves that will enable Japan to bear even  
19 greater alliance responsibilities;

1 (4) the United States and Japan should con-  
2 tinue to improve joint interoperability and collabo-  
3 rate on developing future capabilities with which to  
4 maintain regional stability in an increasingly uncer-  
5 tain security environment;

6 (5) the United States and Japan should con-  
7 tinue efforts to strengthen regional multilateral in-  
8 stitutions that promote economic and security co-  
9 operation based on internationally accepted rules  
10 and norms;

11 (6) the United States acknowledges that the  
12 Senkaku Islands are under the administration of  
13 Japan and opposes any unilateral actions that would  
14 seek to undermine such administration and remains  
15 committed under the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation  
16 and Security to respond to any armed attack in the  
17 territories under the administration of Japan; and

18 (7) the United States reaffirms its commitment  
19 to the Government of Japan under Article V of the  
20 Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security that  
21 “[e]ach Party recognizes that an armed attack  
22 against either Party in the territories under the ad-  
23 ministration of Japan would be dangerous to its own  
24 peace and safety and declares that it would act to

- 1 meet the common danger in accordance with its con-
- 2 stitutional provisions and processes”.



**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435**  
**OFFERED BY MR. FORBES OF VIRGINIA**

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title XII,  
insert the following:

1 **SEC. 203. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON OPPORTUNITIES TO**  
2 **STRENGTHEN RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE**  
3 **UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF**  
4 **KOREA.**

5 It is the sense of Congress that—

6 (1) the alliance between the United States and  
7 Republic of Korea has served as an anchor for sta-  
8 bility, security, and prosperity on the Korean Penin-  
9 sula, in the Asia-Pacific region, and around the  
10 world;

11 (2) the United States and Republic of Korea  
12 continue to strengthen and adapt the alliance to  
13 serve as a linchpin of peace and stability in the Asia-  
14 Pacific region, recognizing the shared values of de-  
15 mocracy, human rights, and the rule of law as the  
16 foundations of the alliance;

17 (3) the United States and Republic of Korea  
18 share deep concerns that North Korea's nuclear and  
19 ballistic missiles programs and its repeated provo-

1 cations pose grave threats to peace and stability on  
2 the Korean Peninsula and Northeast Asia and rec-  
3 ognize that both nations are determined to achieve  
4 the peaceful denuclearization of North Korea, and  
5 remain fully committed to continuing close coopera-  
6 tion on the full range of issues related to North  
7 Korea;

8 (4) the United States supports the vision of a  
9 Korean Peninsula free of nuclear weapons, free from  
10 the fear of war, and peacefully reunited on the basis  
11 of democratic and free market principles, as articu-  
12 lated in President Park's Dresden address;

13 (5) the United States and Republic of Korea  
14 are strengthening the combined defense posture on  
15 the Korean Peninsula;

16 (6) the United States and Republic of Korea  
17 have decided that due to the evolving security envi-  
18 ronment in the region, including the enduring North  
19 Korean nuclear and missile threat, the current  
20 timeline to the transition of wartime operational con-  
21 trol (OPCON) to a Republic of Korea-led defense in  
22 2015 can be reconsidered; and

23 (7) the United States welcomes the Republic of  
24 Korea's ratification of a new five-year Special Meas-  
25 ures Agreement, which establishes the framework for



- 1 Republic of Korea contributions to offset the costs
- 2 associated with the stationing of United States
- 3 Forces Korea on the Korean Peninsula.



**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435**  
**OFFERED BY MR. FORBES OF VIRGINIA**

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title XII,  
insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . MODIFICATIONS TO ANNUAL REPORT ON MILI-**  
2 **TARY AND SECURITY DEVELOPMENTS IN-**  
3 **VOLVING THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF**  
4 **CHINA.**

5 (a) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—Subsection (b) of  
6 section 1202 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
7 for Fiscal Year 2000 (Public Law 106–65; 113 Stat. 781;  
8 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

9 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (10) through  
10 (20) as paragraphs (11) through (21), respectively;  
11 and

12 (2) by inserting after paragraph (9) the fol-  
13 lowing:

14 “(10) The developments in maritime law en-  
15 forcement capabilities and organization of the Peo-  
16 ple’s Republic of China, focusing on activities in con-  
17 tested maritime areas in the South China Sea and  
18 East China Sea. Such analyses shall include an as-  
19 sessment of the nature of China’s maritime law en-

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1 enforcement activities directed against United States  
2 allies and partners. Such maritime activities shall in-  
3 clude activities originating or suspect of originating  
4 from China and shall include government and non-  
5 government activities that are believed to be sanc-  
6 tioned or supported by the Chinese government.”.

7 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
8 this section take effect on the date of the enactment of  
9 this Act and apply with respect to reports required to be  
10 submitted under subsection (a) of section 1202 of the Na-  
11 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000,  
12 as so amended, on or after that date.



**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435**  
**OFFERED BY MR. FORBES OF VIRGINIA**

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title XII,  
insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_.** **MARITIME CAPABILITIES OF TAIWAN AND ITS**  
2 **CONTRIBUTION TO REGIONAL PEACE AND**  
3 **STABILITY.**

4 (a) **REPORT REQUIRED.**—Not later than April 1,  
5 2016, the Secretary of Defense shall, in consultation with  
6 the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, submit to the  
7 congressional defense committees, the Committee on For-  
8 eign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on For-  
9 eign Affairs of the House of Representatives a report that  
10 contains the following:

11 (1) A description and assessment of the posture  
12 and readiness of elements of the Chinese People's  
13 Liberation Army expected or available to threaten  
14 the maritime or territorial security of Taiwan, in-  
15 cluding an assessment of—

16 (A) the undersea and surface warfare ca-  
17 pabilities of the People's Liberation Army Navy  
18 in the littoral areas in and around the Taiwan  
19 Strait;

1 (B) the amphibious and heavy sealift capa-  
2 bilities of the People’s Liberation Army Navy;

3 (C) the capabilities of the People’s Libera-  
4 tion Army Air Force to establish air dominance  
5 over Taiwan; and

6 (D) the capabilities of the People’s Libera-  
7 tion Army Second Artillery Corps to suppress  
8 or destroy the forces of Taiwan necessary to de-  
9 fend the security of Taiwan.

10 (2) A description and assessment of the posture  
11 and readiness of elements of the armed forces of  
12 Taiwan expected or available to maintain the mari-  
13 time or territorial security of Taiwan, including an  
14 assessment of—

15 (A) the undersea and surface warfare ca-  
16 pabilities of the navy of Taiwan;

17 (B) the land-based anti-ship cruise missile  
18 capabilities of Taiwan; and

19 (C) other anti-access or area-denial capa-  
20 bilities, such as mines, that contribute to the  
21 deterrence of Taiwan against actions taken to  
22 determine the future of Taiwan by other than  
23 peaceful means.

24 (b) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a)  
25 may be submitted in classified or unclassified form.

1 (c) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
2 gress that—

3 (1) the United States, in accordance with the  
4 Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96–8), should  
5 continue to make available to Taiwan such defense  
6 articles and services as may be necessary to enable  
7 Taiwan to maintain a sufficient self-defense capa-  
8 bility;

9 (2) the growth and modernization of the Peo-  
10 ple’s Liberation Army, including its focus on “pre-  
11 paring for potential conflict in the Taiwan Strait  
12 [which] appears to remain the principal focus and  
13 primary driver of China’s military investment”, as  
14 noted in the 2013 Office of the Secretary of Defense  
15 Annual Report to Congress: Military and Security  
16 Developments Involving the People’s Republic of  
17 China, requires greater attention to the needed de-  
18 fense capabilities of Taiwan; and

19 (3) the United States should consider opportu-  
20 nities to help enhance the maritime capabilities and  
21 nautical skills of the Taiwanese navy that can con-  
22 tribute to Taiwan’s self-defense and to regional  
23 peace and stability, including extending an invitation  
24 to Taiwan to participate in the 2014 Rim of the Pa-  
25 cific international maritime exercise in non-combat

- 1 areas such as humanitarian assistance and disaster
- 2 relief operations.



**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435**  
**OFFERED BY MR. FORBES OF VIRGINIA**

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title XII,  
insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_.** **INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT ON COUNTERING**  
2 **ANTI-ACCESS AND AREA-DENIAL STRATEGIES**  
3 **AND CAPABILITIES IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC RE-**  
4 **GION.**

5 (a) **ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.**—

6 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Defense  
7 shall enter into an agreement with an independent  
8 entity to conduct an assessment of anti-access and  
9 area-denial strategies and capabilities that pose a  
10 threat to security in the Asia-Pacific region and  
11 strategies to mitigate such threats.

12 (2) **MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.**—The assess-  
13 ment required under paragraph (1) shall include—

14 (A) identification of anti-access and area-  
15 denial strategies and capabilities;

16 (B) assessment of gaps and shortfalls in  
17 the ability of the United States to address anti-  
18 access and area-denial strategies and capabili-  
19 ties identified under subparagraph (A) and



1 plans of the Department of Defense to address  
2 such gaps and shortfalls;

3 (C) assessment of Department of Defense  
4 strategies to counter or mitigate anti-access and  
5 area-denial strategies and capabilities identified  
6 under subparagraph (A); and

7 (D) any other matters the independent en-  
8 tity determines to be appropriate.

9 (b) REPORT REQUIRED.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1,  
11 2015, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
12 congressional defense committees a report that in-  
13 cludes the assessment and strategies required under  
14 subsection (a) and any other matters the Secretary  
15 determines to be appropriate.

16 (2) FORM.—The report required under para-  
17 graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form,  
18 but may contain a classified annex if necessary.

19 (c) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SUPPORT.—The Sec-  
20 retary of Defense shall provide the independent entity de-  
21 scribed in subsection (a) with timely access to appropriate  
22 information, data, and analysis so that the entity may con-  
23 duct a thorough and independent assessment as required  
24 under subsection (a).



**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435**  
**OFFERED BY MR. BISHOP OF UTAH**

At the end of title XXIX, add the following new sub-  
title:

1       **Subtitle D—White Sands Missile**  
2               **Range, New Mexico**

3       **SEC. 2931. ADDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL AND RESERVATION**  
4               **OF PUBLIC LAND TO SUPPORT WHITE SANDS**  
5               **MISSILE RANGE, NEW MEXICO.**

6       Section 2951(b) of the Military Construction Author-  
7 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (division B of Public Law  
8 113–66; 127 Stat. 1039) is amended—

9               (1) by striking “The Federal land” and insert-  
10       ing the following:

11               “(1) INITIAL WITHDRAWAL.—The Federal  
12       land”; and

13               (2) by adding at the end the following new  
14       paragraph:

15               “(2) NORTHERN EXTENSION AREA.—The Fed-  
16       eral land referred to in subsection (a) also includes  
17       the Federal land under the jurisdiction of the Bu-  
18       reau of Land Management located beneath the  
19       boundaries of the Special Use Airspace Areas des-

1       ignated as R-5107C and R-5107H for White Sands  
2       Missile Range, New Mexico, as described in Federal  
3       Aviation Administration Order JO 7400.8W dated  
4       February 16, 2014.”.



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## Amendment Offered by Congresswoman Tsongas

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In the appropriate place in the report, insert the following:

### Report on the Eligibility and Performance of Carriers Who Transport Security-Sensitive Materials for the Department of Defense

The Department of Defense every year facilitates nearly 70,000 separate shipments of security sensitive material. Trucks carrying these shipments travel millions of miles on U.S. interstates, highways, and local thoroughfares across all 50 States. Examples of materials that are transported include missiles, arms/weapons, ammunition, explosives, radioactive material, and classified items. These shipments are executed under the Transportation Protective Services (TPS) program which requires stringent safety and security standards for operators who are approved to do business with the program. However, a comprehensive study of the necessary safety standards, technology, and public liability of carriers in the TPS program has not been conducted.

Therefore, the committee directs the Comptroller General of the United States to provide a report to the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the House Committee on Armed Services by December 15, 2014. That report should include, but is not limited to, the following:

(1) An assessment of whether there is sufficient data in the Department of Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Compliance, Safety, and Accountability program to evaluate carrier safety performance and what additional data may be necessary;

(2) A determination of what additional standards should apply to the process used by DOD to decide Transportation Protective Services carrier eligibility and evaluate performance of the TPS program;

(3) An assessment of whether proven safety technologies recommended by the National Transportation Safety Board (e.g., roll stability control systems, forward collision warning systems, electronic logging devices) should be mandated for trucks transporting TPS shipments in order to reduce the risk of a catastrophic accident or damage to materials;

(4) An assessment of whether minimum public liability and property damage insurance should be increased for TPS carriers; and

(5) An assessment of whether TPS carriers need to staff 24 hour call centers to monitor operations and assist in emergencies.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435  
OFFERED BY Mr. Risell & Ms SNEA. PORTER 109248r2

At the appropriate place in title VIII, insert the following new section:

1 SEC. 8. PROCUREMENT OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE  
2 EQUIPMENT.

3 (a) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
4 use best value tradeoff source selection methods to the  
5 maximum extent practicable when procuring an item of  
6 personal protective equipment or critical safety items.

7 (b) PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT DE-  
8 FINED.—In this section, the term “personal protective  
9 equipment” includes the following:

- 10 (1) Body armor components.
- 11 (2) Combat helmets.
- 12 (3) Combat protective eyewear.
- 13 (4) Environmental and fire resistant clothing.
- 14 (5) Footwear.
- 15 (6) Organizational clothing and individual  
16 equipment.
- 17 (7) Other items as determined appropriate by  
18 the Secretary.

