

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 5933
OFFERED BY MR. THOMPSON OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Strike page 42, lines 15 through 24, and insert the following:

1 “(A) improving upload functionality by al-
2 lowing for batch reporting, including by allow-
3 ing institutions to upload one file with all re-
4 quired information into the database;

5 “(B) publishing and maintaining a data-
6 base users guide annually, including informa-
7 tion on how to edit an entry and how to report
8 errors;

9 “(C) creating a standing user group (to
10 which chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code,
11 shall not apply) to discuss possible database im-
12 provements, which group shall—

13 “(i) include at least—

14 “(I) 3 members representing
15 public institutions with high or very
16 high levels of research activity (as de-
17 fined by the National Center for Edu-
18 cation Statistics);

1 “(II) 2 members representing
2 private, nonprofit institutions with
3 high or very high levels of research
4 activity (as so defined);

5 “(III) 2 members representing
6 proprietary institutions of higher edu-
7 cation (as defined in section 102(b));
8 and

9 “(IV) 2 members representing
10 area career and technical education
11 schools (as defined in subparagraph
12 (C) or (D) of section 3(3) of the Carl
13 D. Perkins Career and Technical
14 Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C.
15 2302(3)); and

16 “(ii) meet at least twice a year with
17 officials from the Department to discuss
18 possible database improvements;

19 “(D) publishing, on a publicly available
20 website, recommended database improvements
21 following each meeting described in subpara-
22 graph (C)(ii); and

23 “(E) responding, on a publicly available
24 website, to each recommendation published
25 under subparagraph (D) as to whether or not

1 the Department will implement the rec-
2 ommendation, including the rationale for either
3 approving or rejecting the recommendation;

