

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 1004
OFFERED BY MR. CICILLINE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Prohibiting Unauthor-
3 ized Military Action in Venezuela Act”.

**4 SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON INTRODUCTION OF UNITED
5 STATES ARMED FORCES INTO HOSTILITIES
6 WITH RESPECT TO VENEZUELA.**

7 (a) FUNDING PROHIBITION.—None of the funds au-
8 thorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available
9 to the Department of Defense or to any other Federal de-
10 partment or agency may be used to introduce the Armed
11 Forces of the United States into hostilities with respect
12 to Venezuela, or into situations with respect to Venezuela
13 where imminent involvement in hostilities is clearly indi-
14 cated by the circumstances, except pursuant to—

15 (1) a declaration of war;

16 (2) a specific statutory authorization described
17 in subsection (b); or

1 (3) a national emergency created by attack
2 upon the United States, its territories or posses-
3 sions, or the Armed Forces.

4 (b) SPECIFIC STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION DE-
5 SCRIBED.—A specific statutory authorization described in
6 this subsection is an authorization that—

7 (1) meets the requirements of the War Powers
8 Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.); and

9 (2) is enacted after the date of the enactment
10 of this Act.

11 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this Act
12 may be construed to affect or alter the requirements of
13 the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.) or
14 any restrictions or reporting requirements contained in
15 such Resolution.

