

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. \_\_\_**  
**OFFERED BY MS. JACOBS OF CALIFORNIA**

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_. TRAINING ON THE MANAGEMENT OF HUMANI-**  
2 **TARIAN ASSISTANCE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State  
5 or his designee shall—

6 (1) establish or update the criteria to determine  
7 eligibility of State Department staff to support the  
8 management of humanitarian assistance awards; and

9 (2) in coordination with the Director of the  
10 George P. Schultz National Foreign Affairs Training  
11 Center, establish or update existing curriculum on  
12 best practices related to managing humanitarian as-  
13 sistance to ensure adequate levels of expertise and  
14 skill sets of relevant staff.

15 (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The curriculum re-  
16 quired by subsection (a) shall include the following:

17 (1) An overview of the Federal departments  
18 and agencies providing humanitarian assistance  
19 abroad and the relevant interagency coordination

1 mechanisms used to support emergency relief ef-  
2 forts.

3 (2) An overview of the humanitarian assistance  
4 sectors, such as, but not limited to shelter, emer-  
5 gency food, health services, water, sanitation, and  
6 hygiene (WASH).

7 (3) Relevant laws, authorities, regulations, and  
8 policies with respect to United States' humanitarian  
9 assistance and the existing international humani-  
10 tarian system.

11 (4) An overview of core humanitarian prin-  
12 ciples.

13 (5) An overview of humanitarian assistance  
14 partners, including, but not limited to, United Na-  
15 tions agencies, nongovernmental organizations, and  
16 private sector organizations.

17 (6) An overview of the types of conflict and dis-  
18 aster-affected populations in need of humanitarian  
19 assistance, including but not limited to refugees, in-  
20 ternally displaced persons, host communities, vulner-  
21 able migrants, and other key populations.

22 (7) Instruction on best practices on and re-  
23 quirements to support the effective management of  
24 humanitarian assistance, awards as well as best  
25 practices for transitioning to sustainable solutions.

1           (8) An overview of applicable international law  
2           and commitments, including international humani-  
3           tarian law and refugee law, and of internationally  
4           recognized humanitarian principles.

5           (c) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the curriculum  
6           required by subsection (a), the Secretary of State, or his  
7           designee, shall, not later than 1 year after the date of the  
8           enactment of this Act, conduct training described in sub-  
9           section (a) for all relevant staff. Personnel with more than  
10          5 years experience supporting the management of humani-  
11          tarian assistance awards may request a waiver exempting  
12          them from the requirements listed in subsection (c).

13          (d) INSTRUCTION.—In carrying out the curriculum  
14          required by subsection (a), the Secretary of State, or his  
15          designee, shall ensure instructors demonstrate technical  
16          expertise in humanitarian assistance.

17          (e) DEVELOPMENT OF CURRICULUM.—In carrying  
18          out the curriculum required by subsection (a), the Sec-  
19          retary of State, or his designee, shall consult with the  
20          agency primarily responsible for implementing section 491  
21          of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, other bureaus of  
22          the Department of State, such as the Bureau of Popu-  
23          lation, Refugees and Migration, and relevant external  
24          stakeholders with expertise in humanitarian assistance on  
25          the development of such curriculum. The Secretary of

1 State shall ensure the availability of sufficient resources  
2 to develop and implement such curriculum.

3 (f) REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than  
4 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and  
5 annually thereafter for 3 years, the Secretary of State  
6 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees  
7 a report on the progress implementing the requirements  
8 of this section.

9 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

10 In this Act—

11 (1) the term “appropriate congressional com-  
12 mittees” means—

13 (A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and  
14 the Appropriations Committee of the House of  
15 Representatives; and

16 (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations  
17 and the Appropriations Committee of the Sen-  
18 ate;

19 (2) the term “management” means the plan-  
20 ning, coordination, implementation, or oversight of  
21 humanitarian assistance; and

22 (3) the term “relevant staff” means all directly  
23 personnel directly responsible for supporting the  
24 management of humanitarian assistances.

