AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4563

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Insert after section 139 the following:

1	SEC. 139A. GAO STUDY AND REPORT ON ABILITY OF
2	STATES TO COMPLY WITH CERTAIN SPECIAL
3	ELECTION REQUIREMENTS.
4	(a) Study.—
5	(1) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of
6	the United States shall conduct a study of the abil-
7	ity of States to comply with the requirements for
8	filling a vacancy in the State's representation in the
9	House of Representatives by special election in ex-
10	traordinary circumstances pursuant to section 26 of
11	the Revised Statutes of the United States (2 U.S.C.
12	8).
13	(2) Consultation with all states.—In
14	conducting the study under this subsection, the
15	Comptroller General shall consult and work coopera-
16	tively with all States and shall not rely on sample in-
17	formation relating to a limited number of States.
18	(3) STATE DEFINED.—In this subsection, the
19	term "State" means each of the several States, the
20	District of Columbia the Commonwealth of Puerto

- 1 Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the United States
- 2 Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the North-
- 3 ern Mariana Islands.
- 4 (b) Report.—Not later than 180 days after the date
- 5 of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall
- 6 submit to Congress a report on the study conducted under
- 7 subsection (a), and shall include in the report such rec-
- 8 ommendations as the Comptroller General considers ap-
- 9 propriate.

