

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 3548
OFFERED BY MR. KEATING OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Page 9, beginning line 24, insert the following (and
redesignate subsequent subsections accordingly):

1 “(e) CERTIFICATION AND CONDITIONALITY.—Not-
2 withstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of
3 Homeland Security may not obligate or expend any funds
4 to construct physical barriers until such time as the Comp-
5 troller General of the United States certifies to the Sec-
6 retary and Congress that such construction is the most
7 secure and cost-effective method to deter, impede, and de-
8 tect illegal activity in high traffic areas and achieve situa-
9 tional awareness and operational control of the border.”.

