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**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 3309
OFFERED BY MR. WATT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

Page 13, insert the following after the matter following line 17 and redesignate the succeeding subsection accordingly:

1 (e) LIMITATION ON APPLICABILITY OF AMEND-
2 MENTS.—

3 (1) LIMITATION.—The amendments made by
4 this section shall apply only to a civil action arising
5 under any Act of Congress relating to patents that
6 is brought in a district court designated under sec-
7 tion 1(b) of Public Law 111-349 for the program
8 established under section 1(a) of such Public Law.

9 (2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than
10 January 4, 2019, the Director of the Administrative
11 Office of the United States Courts, in consultation
12 with the chief judge of each of the designated dis-
13 trict courts described in paragraph (1), shall submit
14 to the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of
15 Representatives and the Committee on the Judiciary
16 of the Senate a report on the operation and efficacy
17 of the amendments made by this section in civil ac-

1 tions described in paragraph (1) that are brought in
2 such district courts.

3 (3) REFERENCE.—In this subsection, Public
4 Law 111–349 refers to the Act entitled “An Act to
5 establish a pilot program in certain United States
6 district courts to encourage enhancement of exper-
7 tise in patent cases among district judges”, approved
8 January 4, 2011.

