

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 115**  
**OFFERED BY MR. Cicilline**

Add, at the end of the bill, the following:

1 **SEC. 3. STANDARDS FOR THE USE OF FORENSIC SCIENCE**  
2 **IN CAPITAL CRIME CASES.**

3 Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment  
4 of this Act, the Attorney General shall establish and sub-  
5 mit a report to Congress on the activities of a commission  
6 which shall provide recommendations and advice to the  
7 Department of Justice concerning national methods and  
8 strategies for—

9 (1) strengthening the validity and reliability of  
10 the forensic sciences (including medico-legal death  
11 investigation);

12 (2) enhancing quality assurance and quality  
13 control in forensic science laboratories and units;

14 (3) identifying and recommending scientific  
15 guidance and protocols for evidence seizure, testing,  
16 analysis, and reporting by forensic science labora-  
17 tories and units; and

18 (4) identifying and assessing other needs of the  
19 forensic science communities to strengthen their dis-  
20 ciplines and meet the increasing demands generated