

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE**  
**TO H.R. 3561**  
**OFFERED BY MR. ARRINGTON OF TEXAS**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**1 SECTION 1. APPRAISALS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3731(b) of title 38,  
3 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the  
4 following new paragraph:

5 “(3) The Secretary shall permit an appraiser on a  
6 list developed and maintained under subsection (a)(3) to  
7 make an appraisal for the purposes of this chapter based  
8 on information gathered by a person with whom the ap-  
9 praiser has entered into an agreement for such services.”.

10 (b) REPORT.—Not later than two years after the date  
11 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans  
12 Affairs shall submit to the Committees on Veterans’ Af-  
13 fairs of the House of Representatives and the Senate a  
14 report on appraisals in which the appraiser relies on an-  
15 other person for a property inspection pursuant to para-  
16 graph (3) of section 3731(b) of title 38, United States  
17 Code, as added by subsection (a). Such report shall in-

- 1 clude the timeliness of such appraisals and the costs to
- 2 veterans for such appraisals.

