

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 1823
OFFERED BY MR. Kennedy**

At the end, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3. EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE DE-**
2 **PARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FROM A**
3 **REDUCTION IN FORCE.**

4 An employee of the Department of Veterans Affairs
5 who is a veteran with a service-connected disability may
6 not be removed from such employment pursuant to a re-
7 duction in force.

