

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4671
OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of the bill, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3. ENHANCEMENT OF THE NATIONAL DECLASSIFICA-**
2 **TION CENTER.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall take appro-
4 priate actions to enhance the authority and capacity of
5 the National Declassification Center under Executive
6 Order 13526 (relating to classified national security infor-
7 mation), as in effect on May 19, 2014, in order to facili-
8 tate, enhance, and advance a government-wide strategy for
9 the declassification of national security information.

10 (b) REQUIRED ACTIONS.—The actions taken under
11 subsection (a) shall include the following:

12 (1) A requirement that the head of each agency
13 completes the review of Presidential and Federal
14 records proposed for declassification, in accordance
15 with priorities established by the National Declassi-
16 fication Center, not later than one year after the
17 date on which the declassification process starts, ex-
18 cept that the head of an agency may complete such
19 review not later than two years after such start date

1 upon the written approval of the Director of the Na-
2 tional Declassification Center.

3 (2) A requirement that the head of each agency
4 with authority to classify information share the de-
5 classification guidance of such agency with other
6 such agencies and with the National Declassification
7 Center.

8 (c) AGENCY DEFINED.—In this section, the term
9 “agency” means—

10 (1) any Executive agency, as defined in section
11 105 of title 5, United States Code;

12 (2) any military department, as defined in sec-
13 tion 102 of title 5, United States Code; and

14 (3) any other entity within the executive branch
15 that comes into the possession of classified informa-
16 tion.

