

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. \_\_\_\_\_**

**OFFERED BY MR. MORELLE OF NEW YORK**

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . FEDERAL PAYMENTS TO STATE AND LOCAL GOV-**  
2 **ERNMENTS FOR ELECTION ADMINISTRATION**  
3 **ASSISTANCE.**

4 (a) **PAYMENTS.**—The Election Assistance Commis-  
5 sion (hereafter in this section referred to as the “Commis-  
6 sion”) shall make payments to States and to units of local  
7 government which administer elections for Federal office  
8 to assist States and units of local government in the ad-  
9 ministration of elections for Federal office.

10 (b) **REPORT ASSESSING FUNDING NEEDS OF STATE**  
11 **AND LOCAL ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS.**—

12 (1) **REPORT TO OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND**  
13 **BUDGET.**—After consulting with the Election Assist-  
14 ance Commission Standards Board, the Commission  
15 shall submit to the Director of the Office of Manage-  
16 ment and Budget a report assessing the general  
17 needs of State and local election officials for Federal  
18 funds to carry out elections for Federal office.

19 (2) **DEADLINE.**—The Commission shall submit  
20 the report required under paragraph (1) not later

1       than 45 days after the date of the enactment of this  
2       Act.

3       (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
4       are authorized to be appropriated to the Commission for  
5       the first 10 fiscal years which begin after the date of the  
6       enactment of this Act an aggregate amount of  
7       \$5,000,000,000.

8       (d) STATE DEFINED.—In this section, the term  
9       “State” means each of the several States, the District of  
10      Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, American  
11      Samoa, Guam, the United States Virgin Islands, and the  
12      Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

