

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 1640
OFFERED BY MR. WALKER OF NORTH CAROLINA**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Department of Home-
3 land Security Headquarters Consolidation Accountability
4 Act of 2015”.

**5 SEC. 2. REPORT ON DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECU-
6 RITY HEADQUARTERS CONSOLIDATION
7 PROJECT.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
9 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Home-
10 land Security, in coordination with the Administrator of
11 General Services, shall submit to the appropriate commit-
12 tees of Congress a report on the Department of Homeland
13 Security headquarters consolidation project within the Na-
14 tional Capital Region. Such report shall include each of
15 the following:

16 (1) A current list of the components and offices
17 proposed to be included in the consolidation project.

1 (2) A comprehensive assessment of the current
2 and future real property needed by the Department
3 in the National Capital Region in order to carry out
4 the mission of the Department to secure the home-
5 land and defend the Nation against future acts of
6 terrorism.

7 (3) An analysis of the difference between the
8 current and needed capital assets and facilities of
9 the Department.

10 (4) A current plan for construction of the head-
11 quarters consolidation at the St. Elizabeths campus
12 that includes—

13 (A) the estimated costs and schedule for
14 the current plan; and

15 (B) the estimated costs savings of reducing
16 the scope of the consolidation project and in-
17 creasing the use of existing capacity developed
18 under the project.

19 (5) A current plan for the leased portfolio of
20 the Department in the National Capital Region that
21 includes—

22 (A) the total rentable square feet, number
23 of personnel, and proposed utilization rates;

24 (B) the replacement and consolidation
25 plan, including timing and anticipated leased

1 terms, for leased space under the plan referred
2 to in paragraph (4); and

3 (C) the costs and benefits of leasing and
4 construction alternatives for the headquarters
5 consolidation project.

6 (6) A detailed list of alternatives considered by
7 the Department during the development of the plan
8 referred to in paragraph (4), including the costs and
9 benefits of alternatives to such plan.

10 (b) UPDATE OF COST AND SCHEDULE ESTIMATES.—

11 Not later than 180 days after date of the submittal of
12 the report required by subsection (a), the Secretary, in
13 coordination with the Administrator of General Services,
14 shall complete the update of the cost and schedule esti-
15 mates for the portions of the consolidation project that
16 are not yet complete as of such date based on the informa-
17 tion contained in the report. Consistent with the rec-
18 ommendation of the Government Accountability Office in
19 GAO-14-648, such estimates shall conform to relevant
20 Federal guidance for cost and schedule estimates.

21 (c) COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW.—

22 (1) REVIEW REQUIRED.—The Comptroller Gen-
23 eral of the United States shall review the update of
24 the cost and schedule estimates under subsection (b)

1 to evaluate the quality and reliability of such esti-
2 mates.

3 (2) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 60 days
4 after the completion of the update of the cost and
5 schedule estimates under subsection (b), the Comp-
6 troller General shall report to the appropriate con-
7 gressional committees on the results of the review
8 required by paragraph (1).

9 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

10 (1) The term “National Capital Region” has
11 the meaning given such term under section
12 2674(f)(2) of title 10, United States Code.

13 (2) The term “appropriate committees of Con-
14 gress” means the Committee on Homeland Security
15 and the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
16 structure of the House of Representatives and the
17 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental
18 Affairs and the Committee on Environment and
19 Public Works of the Senate.

