

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 3116
OFFERED BY MR. THOMPSON OF MISSISSIPPI**

Before section 101 insert the following (and make appropriate conforming changes):

1 SEC. 101. COUNTERTERRORISM COORDINATION.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Deputy Secretary of Home-
3 land Security shall serve as the Coordinator for
4 Counterterrorism on behalf of the Secretary and, in that
5 capacity, shall perform such duties and exercise such au-
6 thorities as the Secretary shall prescribe to execute the
7 Department’s counterterrorism mission.

8 (b) RESPONSIBILITIES OF COORDINATOR FOR
9 COUNTERTERRORISM.—The Deputy Secretary shall—

10 (1) coordinate all counterterrorism activities for
11 the Department and across its directorates, compo-
12 nents, and offices related to detection, prevention,
13 response to, and recovery from acts of terrorism;

14 (2) serve as the principal adviser to the Sec-
15 retary on counterterrorism matters, including rec-
16 ommendations regarding timely threats and the na-
17 tional terrorism advisory system;

1 (3) be the principal counterterrorism official
2 within the senior management of the Department
3 and shall report directly to the Secretary;

4 (4) report to Congress semi-annually on the
5 counterterrorism activities of the Department; and

6 (5) report to the Secretary, prior to the submis-
7 sion of the Department's budget request to the
8 President, on the adequacy of authorities and budg-
9 etary resources for Departmental components in-
10 volved in counterterrorism activities.

11 (c) COUNTERTERRORISM ADVISORY BOARD.—In fur-
12 therance of the effective and consistent Department-wide
13 counterterrorism coordination and collaboration, there
14 shall be a Counterterrorism Advisory Board within the
15 Department comprised of senior departmental leadership
16 from components and offices that carry out the Depart-
17 ment's counterterrorism mission, including
18 counterterrorism-related operational, information sharing,
19 and policy related activities. The Deputy Secretary, as Co-
20 ordinator for Counterterrorism, shall serve as the Chair
21 of the Counterterrorism Advisory Board and the Under
22 Secretary for Policy and the Under Secretary for Intel-
23 ligence and Analysis shall serve as vice chairs. The Chief
24 Privacy Officer and Officer for Civil Rights and Civil Lib-

1 erties shall be permanent members of the
2 Counterterrorism Advisory Board.

