

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5658
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At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following:

1 SEC. _____. (a) Congress finds the following:

2 (1) The United States Armed Forces suc-
3 cessfully toppled the regime of Saddam Hussein
4 and captured the key cities of Iraq in only 21
5 days.

6 (2) Because of the skill and dedication of
7 the members of the Armed Forces, the entire
8 world has now been assured that Iraq does not
9 possess weapons of mass destruction that could
10 threaten the United States or any member na-
11 tion of the international community.

12 (3) The Armed Forces performed magnifi-
13 cently in conducting military operations de-
14 signed to ensure that the people of Iraq enjoy
15 the benefits of a democratically-elected govern-
16 ment governing a county that is capable of sus-
17 taining itself economically and politically and
18 defending itself militarily.

1 (4) In June 2004, the Armed Forces facili-
2 tated the transfer of sovereignty from the Coali-
3 tion Provisional Authority to the interim Gov-
4 ernment of Iraq, which governed Iraq until De-
5 cember 2005 when national elections were held
6 in which more than 8 million Iraqi men and
7 women voted in elections that were free and
8 fair.

9 (b) Congress makes the following declarations of pol-
10 icy:

11 (1) The Authorization for Use of Military Force
12 Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Public Law 107-
13 243; approved on October 16, 2002) is the basis of
14 authority pursuant to which the President launched
15 the invasion of Iraq in March 2003.

16 (2) Public Law 107-243 authorized the Presi-
17 dent to use military force against Iraq to achieve the
18 following two objectives:

19 (A) To defend the national security of the
20 United States—

21 (i) by disarming Iraq of any weapons
22 of mass destruction that could threaten the
23 security of the United States and inter-
24 national peace in the Persian Gulf region;

1 (ii) by ensuring that the regime of
2 Saddam Hussein would not provide weap-
3 ons of mass destruction to international
4 terrorists, including al Qaida;

5 (iii) by changing the Iraqi regime so
6 that Saddam Hussein and his Baathist re-
7 gime no longer pose a threat to the people
8 of Iraq or Iraq's neighbors; and

9 (iv) by bringing to justice any mem-
10 bers of al Qaida bearing responsibility for
11 the attacks on the United States, its citi-
12 zens, and interests, including the attacks
13 that occurred on September 11, 2001,
14 known or found to be in Iraq.

15 (B) To enforce all relevant United Nations
16 Security Council resolutions regarding Iraq.

17 (3) The objectives of Public Law 107-243 de-
18 scribed in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph
19 (2) have in fact been achieved.

