

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2410, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY**

Page 143, beginning on line 4, strike section 334  
and insert the following:

**1 SEC. 334. OFFICE OF GLOBAL WOMEN'S ISSUES.**

2 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—There is established an Office  
3 for Global Women's Issues (in this section referred to as  
4 the "Office") in the Office of the Secretary of State in  
5 the Department of State. The Office shall be headed by  
6 the Ambassador-at-Large (in this section referred to as  
7 the "Ambassador"), who shall be appointed by the Presi-  
8 dent, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.  
9 The Ambassador shall report directly to the Secretary of  
10 State.

11 (b) **PURPOSE.**—The Office shall coordinate efforts of  
12 the United States Government regarding the full integra-  
13 tion of women and girls and women's empowerment in  
14 United States foreign policy.

15 (c) **DUTIES.**—

16 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Ambassador shall—

17 (A) coordinate and advise on activities,  
18 policies, programs, and funding relating to the  
19 full integration of women and girls and wom-

1 en's empowerment internationally for all bu-  
2 reaus and offices of the Department of State  
3 and in the international programs of other  
4 United States Government departments and  
5 agencies;

6 (B) design, support, promote, and, as ap-  
7 propriate, implement, projects, policies, pro-  
8 grams, and activities regarding women's em-  
9 powerment internationally which should in-  
10 clude—

11 (i) expanding and improving edu-  
12 cational opportunities for women and girls,  
13 particularly poor women, refugee and in-  
14 ternally displaced women, and women liv-  
15 ing in cultures that do not recognize a  
16 woman's equal right to education;

17 (ii) expanding opportunities for  
18 women to participate in job training pro-  
19 grams and microfinance and microenter-  
20 prise initiatives, including savings-led ap-  
21 proaches, particularly for women living on  
22 less than the equivalent of \$1 per day;

23 (iii) protecting the property and inher-  
24 itance rights of women;

1 (iv) ensuring that women receive  
2 equal pay as men for equal work;

3 (v) increasing women's participation  
4 and representation at local and national  
5 levels of government and in international  
6 organizations;

7 (vi) changing male attitudes and be-  
8 haviors that are detrimental to the realiza-  
9 tion of the human rights of women;

10 (vii) improving maternal health, by  
11 providing medicine, supplies, training of  
12 midwives and other health professionals,  
13 access to safe blood, and increasing access  
14 to medical facilities for emergency obstetric  
15 care;

16 (viii) establishing pregnancy care cen-  
17 ters where women in need of assistance  
18 during pregnancy can obtain emotional  
19 support, legal and educational referrals,  
20 prenatal information, maternity and baby  
21 clothes, housing referrals, information on  
22 other community assistance, and adoption  
23 information;

- 1 (ix) eliminating coercive family plan-  
2 ning practices, including coercive abortion  
3 and sterilization;
- 4 (x) eliminating sex-selection abortion;
- 5 (xi) preventing and treating cases of  
6 obstetric fistula;
- 7 (xii) eliminating female genital cut-  
8 ting;
- 9 (xiii) eliminating child marriage;
- 10 (xiv) ensuring that refugee women  
11 and women in other vulnerable situations  
12 have secure shelter and safe access to  
13 water, sanitation facilities, food and health  
14 care;
- 15 (xv) preventing and responding to vio-  
16 lence against women through efforts aimed  
17 at the individual, family, community, local,  
18 national, international, and multilateral  
19 levels; and
- 20 (xvi) preventing and prosecuting the  
21 sex and labor trafficking of women and  
22 girls, and protecting and assisting in the  
23 safe re-integration of women and girls who  
24 have been trafficked;

1 (C) actively promote and advance the full  
2 integration of analysis on women's involvement  
3 into the programs, structures, processes, and  
4 capacities of all bureaus and offices of the De-  
5 partment of State and in the international pro-  
6 grams of other United States Government de-  
7 partments and agencies; and

8 (D) direct, as appropriate, United States  
9 Government resources to respond to needs for  
10 the full integration of women and girls and  
11 women's empowerment in United States Gov-  
12 ernment foreign policies and international pro-  
13 grams.

14 (2) COORDINATING ROLE.—The Ambassador  
15 shall coordinate with the United States Agency for  
16 International Development and the Millennium Chal-  
17 lenge Corporation on all policies, programs, and  
18 funding of such agencies relating to the full integra-  
19 tion of women and girls and women's empowerment.

20 (3) DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION.—Subject to  
21 the direction of the President and the Secretary of  
22 State and the restriction indicated in subsection (d),  
23 the Ambassador is authorized to represent the  
24 United States in matters relevant to the status of  
25 women internationally.

1 (d) NON-INTERVENTION CONCERNING ABORTION.—

2 (1) CONGRESSIONAL DECLARATION.—The Con-  
3 gress recognizes that countries adhere to a diversity  
4 of cultural, religious, and legal traditions regarding  
5 the deliberate abortion of the human fetus.

6 (2) PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES.—Therefore, none  
7 of the funds made available to carry out this section  
8 may be used to—

9 (A) engage in any activity or effort to alter  
10 the laws or policies in effect in any foreign  
11 country concerning the circumstances under  
12 which abortion is permitted, regulated, or pro-  
13 hibited; or

14 (B) support any resolution or other docu-  
15 ment or participate in any activity of a multilat-  
16 eral organization or other entity that criticizes  
17 or seeks to alter such laws or policies in foreign  
18 countries.

19 (3) RULE OF STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION.—  
20 Nothing in this subsection may be construed to pre-  
21 vent—

22 (A) funding or activities for the purpose of  
23 treating injuries or illnesses caused by legal or  
24 illegal abortions; or

1           (B) agencies or officers of the United  
2           States from engaging in activities in opposition  
3           to policies of coercive abortion or involuntary  
4           sterilization.

5           (e) REPORTING.—The heads of all bureaus and of-  
6           fices of the Department of State, as appropriate, shall  
7           evaluate and monitor all women's empowerment programs  
8           administered by such bureaus and offices and annually  
9           submit to the Ambassador a report on such programs and  
10          on policies and practices to integrate women and girls.

11          (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Of the  
12          amounts authorized to be appropriated under section 101,  
13          there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may  
14          be necessary for each of fiscal years 2010 and 2011 to  
15          carry out activities under this section.

