

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2499, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. GUTIERREZ OF ILLINOIS**

In option 3 on page 4, lines 15 and 16, strike "Puerto Rico should be admitted as a State of the Union." and insert "Puerto Rico should be admitted as a State of the Union and, as a State, shall retain Spanish as an official language, and its only vernacular language as such shall be an official language of business and communication (A) in the State government, courts, schools, and agencies, and (B) in Federal courts and agencies when such courts and agencies are acting in or with regard to Puerto Rico."

