

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1401, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. SHAYS OF CONNECTICUT**

At the end of title XII (page 317, after line 17), add  
the following new section:

1 **SEC. 1206. REDUCTION AND CODIFICATION OF NUMBER OF**  
2 **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AUTHOR-**  
3 **IZED TO BE ON PERMANENT DUTY ASHORE**  
4 **IN EUROPEAN MEMBER NATIONS OF NATO.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—(1) Section 123b of title 10,  
6 United States Code, is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating subsections (b) and (c) as  
8 subsections (c) and (d), respectively;

9 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-  
10 lowing new subsection (b):

11 “(b) EUROPEAN END-STRENGTH LIMITATION.—(1)  
12 Within the limitation prescribed by subsection (a), the  
13 strength level of members of the armed forces assigned  
14 to permanent duty ashore in European member nations  
15 of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization may not exceed  
16 approximately—

17 “(A) 100,000 at the end of fiscal year 1999;

18 “(B) 85,000 at the end of fiscal year 2000;

19 “(C) 55,000 at the end of fiscal year 2001; and

1           “(D) 25,000 at the end of fiscal year 2002 and  
2           each fiscal year thereafter.

3           “(2) For purposes of paragraph (1), the following  
4           members are not counted:

5           “(A) Members assigned to permanent duty  
6           ashore in Iceland, Greenland, and the Azores.

7           “(B) Members performing duties in Europe for  
8           more than 179 days under a military-to-military  
9           contact program under section 168 of this title.

10          “(3) In carrying out the reductions required by para-  
11          graph (1), the Secretary of Defense may not reduce per-  
12          sonnel assigned to the Sixth Fleet.”.”;

13          (3) in subsection (c), as redesignated by para-  
14          graph (2), by adding at the end the following new  
15          sentence: “Subsection (b) does not apply in the  
16          event of declaration of war or an armed attack on  
17          any member nation of the North Atlantic Treaty Or-  
18          ganization.”; and

19          (4) in subsection (d), as redesignated by para-  
20          graph (2), by striking “The President may waive”  
21          and all that follows and inserting “The President  
22          may waive the operation of subsection (a) or (b) if  
23          the President declares an emergency. The President  
24          shall immediately notify Congress of any such waiv-  
25          er.”.

1           (b) CONFORMING REPEAL.—Section 1002 of the De-  
2   partment of Defense Authorization Act, 1985 (22 U.S.C.  
3   1928 note), is repealed.