

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1560, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. CASTRO OF TEXAS**

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. 12. USE OF ENCRYPTION TECHNOLOGIES BY INSPEC-**
2 **TORS GENERAL TO RECEIVE WHISTLE-**
3 **BLOWER REPORTS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, each Inspector General
6 of a department or agency of the Federal Government, in
7 coordination with the Director of National Intelligence,
8 shall ensure that any electronic system used by the Inspec-
9 tor General to receive whistleblower reports uses
10 encryption technology to protect the identity of the indi-
11 vidual who files the report and the information contained
12 in the report.

13 (b) WHISTLEBLOWER REPORT DEFINED.—In this
14 section, the term “whistleblower report” means the report
15 of an individual regarding information that the individual
16 reasonably believes describes—

- 17 (1) a violation of any law, rule, or regulation;
18 or

1 (2) gross mismanagement, a gross waste of
2 funds, an abuse of authority, or a substantial and
3 specific danger to public health or safety.

