

**AMENDMENT**

**OFFERED BY MRS. MCIVER OF NEW JERSEY**

Insert, at the appropriate place, the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . REQUIREMENTS FOR VOLUNTARY WORK PRO-**  
2 **GRAM.**

3 (a) REQUIREMENTS.—The Director of the U.S. Im-  
4 migration and Customs Enforcement shall take such steps  
5 as are necessary to ensure that the voluntary work pro-  
6 gram meets the following requirements:

7 (1) Participation in the voluntary work program  
8 is strictly elective.

9 (2) Any Federal employee who coerces an indi-  
10 vidual in immigration detention into participating, or  
11 retaliates against an individual who chooses not to  
12 participate, in the voluntary work program shall  
13 have their salary reduced to \$0.

14 (3) An individual in immigration detention who  
15 participates in the voluntary work program shall re-  
16 ceive monetary compensation for work completed in  
17 accordance with a detention facility's standard pol-  
18 icy. Compensation shall be not less than \$90 per  
19 day. The facility shall have an established system

1           that ensures detainees receive the pay owed them be-  
2           fore being transferred or released.

3           (b) INVESTIGATION.—The Office of Immigration De-  
4           tention Ombudsman shall initiate an investigation into the  
5           prevalence of involuntary servitude in immigration deten-  
6           tion, non-payment and payment delays to individuals par-  
7           ticipating in the voluntary work program, and identify the  
8           immigration detention facilities which have most fre-  
9           quently violated the provisions of the performance-based  
10          national detention standards as they pertain to the vol-  
11          untary work program.

