AMENDMENT TO NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BILL
OFFERED BY MR. BISHOP OF UTAH

At the end of title XXXV add the following:

SEC. 35. CODE OF SAFE PRACTICES FOR LARGE YACHTS.

(a) Code Required.—

(1) In general.—The Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall, acting through the Commandant of the Coast Guard, develop a code of safe practices for large commercial yachts for recreational vessels over 300 gross tons (as measured under section 14502 of title 46, United States Code), or an alternate tonnage measured under section 14302 of such title (as prescribed by the Secretary under section 14104 of such title).

(2) Scope of code.—The code of practices developed pursuant to this section shall be comparable to the Code of Practice for the Safety of Large Commercial Sailing and Motor Vessels, now known as the Large Commercial Yacht Code, as published by
the Maritime and Coastguard Agency of the United Kingdom.

(3) **DEADLINE.**—The Secretary shall complete the development of the code required by this section by not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) **CONSTRUCTION OF COMPLIANCE WITH CODE FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.**—Any vessel determined by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating to be in compliance with the code under this section shall not be subject to inspection under part B of subtitle II of title 46, United States Code, notwithstanding section 3301(7) of such title.