AMENDMENT TO H.R. 240 OFFERED BY MR. SCHOCK OF ILLINOIS

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

1	SEC It is the sense of the Congress that the
2	Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
3	(USCIS) should—
4	(1) stop putting the interests of aliens who are
5	unlawfully present in the United States ahead of the
6	interests of aliens who are following proper immigra-
7	tion laws and procedures by adjudicating petitions
8	and applications for immigration benefits submitted
9	by aliens unlawfully present in the United States.
10	When USCIS adjudicators and resources are used to
11	adjudicate petitions and applications for aliens who
12	are unlawfully present, the time it takes to process
13	petitions and applications submitted by other aliens
14	is significantly increased and a backlog is created. In
15	addition, it is unfair to use the fees paid by other
16	aliens to cover the costs of adjudicating petitions
17	and applications for aliens unlawfully present in the
18	United States; and

	(2) use the funds available under existing law
2	to improve services and increase the efficiency of the
3	immigration benefits application process for aliens
1	abroad or who are lawfully present in the United
5	States.

