

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4038
OFFERED BY MR. THOMPSON OF MISSISSIPPI

Page 2, strike line 1 and all that follows through the end of the bill and insert the following:

1 **SEC. 2. SUPPLEMENTAL LIMITATIONS ON ADMISSION OF**
2 **REFUGEES.**

3 (a) **IDENTITY VERIFICATION REQUIRED.**—No alien
4 shall be admitted as a refugee, until the alien has satisfac-
5 torily established his identity pursuant to procedures es-
6 tablished by the Secretary of Homeland Security, which
7 shall address any insufficient, conflicting, or unreliable in-
8 formation, including biographic and biometric data that
9 has not been resolved at the time of admission.

10 (b) **COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF REFUGEES TO**
11 **IDENTIFY SECURITY THREATS TO THE UNITED**
12 **STATES.**—No alien shall be admitted as a refugee, if, by
13 the time of admission, the alien’s identity has not been
14 checked against all relevant records or databases main-
15 tained by the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Attor-
16 ney General (including the Federal Bureau of Investiga-
17 tion), the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense,
18 the Director of National Intelligence, and other Federal
19 records or databases that the Secretary of Homeland Se-

1 curity considers necessary, to determine any national secu-
2 rity, criminal, or other grounds on which the alien may
3 be inadmissible to the United States.

4 (c) CERTIFICATION REQUIRED.—An alien may only
5 be admitted to the United States as a refugee after the
6 Secretary of Homeland Security certifies that all provi-
7 sions of this Act have been complied with and that the
8 alien has not been firmly resettled in a safe third country
9 as described in section 208(b)(2)(A)(vi) of the Immigra-
10 tion and Nationality Act.

11 (d) MONTHLY REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Sec-
12 retary of Homeland Security shall submit to the appro-
13 priate Congressional Committees a monthly report on, for
14 the month preceding the date of the report, the total num-
15 ber of refugee applicants of special interest and the num-
16 ber of refugee applicants of special interest whose applica-
17 tions were denied.

18 (e) INSPECTOR GENERAL REVIEW.—The Inspector
19 General of the Department of Homeland Security shall
20 conduct an annual risk-based review of a statistically valid
21 sampling of certifications and provide an annual report de-
22 tailing its findings to the appropriate Congressional Com-
23 mittees.

24 (f) DEFINITION.—In this Act:

1 (1) The term “appropriate Congressional Com-
2 mittees” means—

3 (A) the Committee on Armed Services of
4 the Senate;

5 (B) the Select Committee on Intelligence
6 of the Senate;

7 (C) the Committee on the Judiciary of the
8 Senate;

9 (D) the Committee on Homeland Security
10 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate;

11 (E) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
12 the Senate;

13 (F) the Committee on Appropriations of
14 the Senate;

15 (G) the Committee on Armed Services of
16 the House of Representatives;

17 (H) the Permanent Select Committee on
18 Intelligence of the House of Representatives;

19 (I) the Committee on the Judiciary of the
20 House of Representatives;

21 (J) the Committee on Homeland Security
22 of the House of Representatives;

23 (K) the Committee on Appropriations of
24 the House of Representatives; and

1 (L) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
2 the House of Representatives.

3 (2) The term “refugee applicant of special in-
4 terest” means any alien applying for admission to
5 the United States as a refugee who—

6 (A) is a national or resident of Iraq or
7 Syria;

8 (B) has no nationality and whose last ha-
9 bitual residence was in Iraq or Syria;

10 (C) has been present in Iraq or Syria at
11 any time on or after March 1, 2011; or

12 (D) meets any other criteria the Secretary
13 deems appropriate.

