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 REFUGEES.

(a) IDENTITY VERIFICATION REQUIRED.—No alien shall be admitted as a refugee, until the alien has satisfactorily established his identity pursuant to procedures established by the Secretary of Homeland Security, which shall address any insufficient, conflicting, or unreliable information, including biographic and biometric data that has not been resolved at the time of admission.

(b) COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF REFUGEES TO IDENTIFY SECURITY THREATS TO THE UNITED STATES.—No alien shall be admitted as a refugee, if, by the time of admission, the alien’s identity has not been checked against all relevant records or databases maintained by the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Attorney General (including the Federal Bureau of Investigation), the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, the Director of National Intelligence, and other Federal records or databases that the Secretary of Homeland Se-
curity considers necessary, to determine any national secu-

rity, criminal, or other grounds on which the alien may

be inadmissible to the United States.

(c) Certification Required.—An alien may only

be admitted to the United States as a refugee after the

Secretary of Homeland Security certifies that all provi-
sions of this Act have been complied with and that the

alien has not been firmly resettled in a safe third country

as described in section 208(b)(2)(A)(vi) of the Immigra-

tion and Nationality Act.

(d) Monthly Report to Congress.—The Sec-

retary of Homeland Security shall submit to the appro-

priate Congressional Committees a monthly report on, for

the month preceding the date of the report, the total num-

ber of refugee applicants of special interest and the num-

ber of refugee applicants of special interest whose applica-

tions were denied.

(e) Inspector General Review.—The Inspector

General of the Department of Homeland Security shall

conduct an annual risk-based review of a statistically valid

sampling of certifications and provide an annual report de-
tailing its findings to the appropriate Congressional Com-

mittees.

(f) Definition.—In this Act:
(1) The term “appropriate Congressional Committees” means—

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

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

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

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

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

(F) the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;

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

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

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

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

(K) the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives; and
(L) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
the House of Representatives.

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

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

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

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

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