

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3159, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. SHAYS OF CONNECTICUT**

At the end of the bill, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3. REQUIREMENT TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF**
2 **ARMED FORCES IN IRAQ AND TRANSITION TO**
3 **A LIMITED PRESENCE OF THE ARMED**
4 **FORCES IN IRAQ.**

5 (a) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall
6 commence the reduction of the number of Armed Forces
7 in Iraq beginning not later than 120 days after the date
8 of the enactment of this Act and shall complete the reduc-
9 tion and transition to a limited presence of the Armed
10 Forces in Iraq by not later than December 31, 2008.

11 (b) REDUCTION AND TRANSITION TO BE CARRIED
12 OUT IN A SAFE AND ORDERLY MANNER.—The reduction
13 of the number of Armed Forces in Iraq and transition to
14 a limited presence of the Armed Forces in Iraq required
15 by subsection (a) shall be implemented in a safe and or-
16 derly manner, with maximum attention paid to protection
17 of the Armed Forces that are being redeployed from Iraq.