AMENDMENT NO.______ Calendar No.______

Purpose: To direct the Coast Guard to conduct an assessment and provide a briefing regarding how to more efficiently process merchant mariner credentialing applications.


S. 4802

To authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on __________ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mrs. CAPITO

Viz:

1 At the end of subtitle B of title V, add the following:

2 SEC. 526. ASSESSMENT REGARDING APPLICATION PROCESSES FOR MERCHANT MARINER CREDENTIALS.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall conduct an assessment to determine the resources, including personnel and computing resources, required to—

4 (1) reduce the amount of time necessary to process merchant mariner credentialing applications
to not more than 2 weeks after the date of receipt;
and
(2) develop and maintain an electronic merchant mariner credentialing application.
(b) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall provide a briefing to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives with the results of the assessment required under subsection (a).
(c) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term "merchant mariner credentialing application" means a credentialing application for a merchant mariner license, certificate, or document that the Secretary is authorized to issue pursuant to title 46, United States Code.