AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4137, AS REPORTED

OFFERED BY MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA AND MR. SHAYS OF CONNECTICUT

Page 700, after line 13, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 814. STUDY OF THE IMPACT OF STUDENT LOAN DEBT**
2 **ON PUBLIC SERVICE.**

3 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of Education, in con-
4 sultation with the Office of Management and Budget, is
5 authorized to coordinate with an organization with exper-
6 tise in the field of public service, such as the National
7 Academy of Public Administrators or the American Soci-
8 ety for Public Administration, to coordinate with inter-
9 ested parties to conduct a study of how student loan debt
10 levels impact the decisions of graduates of postsecondary
11 and graduate education programs to enter into public
12 service careers. Such study shall include—

13 (1) an assessment of the challenges to recruit-
14 ing and retaining well-qualified public servants, in-
15 cluding the impact of student loan debt;

16 (2) an evaluation of existing Federal programs
17 to recruit and retain well-qualified public servants;

1 (3) an evaluation of whether additional Federal
2 programs could increase the number of graduates of
3 postsecondary and graduate education programs who
4 enter careers in public service; and
5 (4) recommendations related to any potential
6 pilot programs that could be used to encourage new
7 graduates of postsecondary and graduate education
8 programs to enter public service careers.
9 (b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date
10 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Education,
11 in consultation with the Office of Management and Budg-
12 et, shall submit to Congress a report related to the find-
13 ings of the study conducted under subsection (a).