

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require a study on the effectiveness of the DNA analysis and capacity enhancement program in eliminating the substation backlog of DNA samples in sexual assault cases.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 2d Sess.

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To protect crime victims' rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA and other forensic evidence samples to improve and expand the forensic science testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of forensic evidence, to provide post-conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to support accreditation efforts of forensic science laboratories and medical examiner offices, to address training and equipment needs, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by _____

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . GAO STUDY ON DNA ANALYSIS AND CAPACITY**
2 **ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM.**

3 The Comptroller General of the United States shall
4 conduct a study on the effectiveness of the DNA analysis
5 and capacity enhancement program in meeting the goal
6 of eliminating the substantial backlog of DNA samples in
7 sexual assault cases, which shall include—

8 (1) an analysis of the factors that have led to
9 the continued existence of backlogs of unanalyzed
10 evidence in sexual assault cases; and

11 (2) recommendations to Congress for changes,
12 if any, to the DNA analysis and capacity enhance-
13 ment program that are needed in order to better
14 protect the interests of Federal taxpayers.