

## AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3269 OFFERED BY MR. HENSARLING OF TEXAS

Page 14, after line 6, insert the following:

| 1  | (e) GAO Study.—                                |
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| 2  | (1) Study required.—                           |
| 3  | (A) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller Gen-           |
| 4  | eral of the United States shall carry out a    |
| 5  | study to determine whether there is a correla- |
| 6  | tion between compensation structures and ex-   |
| 7  | cessive risk taking.                           |
| 8  | (B) Factors to consider.—In carrying           |
| 9  | out the study required under subparagraph (A), |
| 10 | the Comptroller General shall—                 |
| 11 | (i) consider compensation structures           |
| 12 | used by companies from 2000 to 2008; and       |
| 13 | (ii) compare companies that failed, or         |
| 14 | nearly failed but for government assist-       |
| 15 | ance, to companies that remained viable        |
| 16 | throughout the housing and credit market       |
| 17 | crisis of 2007 and 2008, including the         |
| 18 | compensation practices of all such compa-      |
| 19 | nies.  |

| 1  | (C) DETERMINING COMPANIES THAT                  |
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| 2  | FAILED OR NEARLY FAILED.—In determining         |
| 3  | whether a company failed, or nearly failed but  |
| 4  | for government assistance, for purposes of sub- |
| 5  | paragraph (B)(ii), the Comptroller General      |
| 6  | shall focus on—                                 |
| 7  | (i) companies that received excep-              |
| 8  | tional assistance under the Troubled Asset      |
| 9  | Relief Program under title I of the Emer-       |
| 10 | gency Economic Stabilization Act of 2009        |
| 11 | (12 U.S.C. 5211 et seq.) or other forms of      |
| 12 | significant government assistance, includ-      |
| 13 | ing under the Automotive Industry Financ-       |
| 14 | ing Program, the Targeted Investment            |
| 15 | Program, the Asset Guarantee Program,           |
| 16 | and the Systemically Significant Failing        |
| 17 | Institutions Program;                           |
| 18 | (ii) the Federal National Mortgage              |
| 19 | Association;                                    |
| 20 | (iii) the Federal Home Loan Mort-               |
| 21 | gage Corporation; and                           |
| 22 | (iv) companies that participated in the         |
| 23 | Security and Exchange Commission's Con-         |
| 24 | solidated Supervised Entities Program as        |
| 25 | of January, 2008.                               |

| 1 | (2) Report.—Not later than the end of the 1-           |
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| 2 | year period beginning on the date of the enactment     |
| 3 | of this Act, the Comptroller General shall issue a re- |
| 4 | port to the Congress containing the results of the     |
| 5 | study required under paragraph (1).                    |



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