

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5114

OFFERED BY MR. BERRY OF ARKANSAS

After section 23, insert the following:

1 SEC. 24. CONDITIONS TO CONTINUE MAP MODERNIZATION.

2 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Ad-
3 ministrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agen-
4 cy may not, after the date of the enactment of this Act,
5 update, revise, modernize, issue, or otherwise change any
6 flood insurance maps or establish or alter the boundaries
7 for any areas having special flood hazards under the Na-
8 tional Flood Insurance Program until the Administrator
9 has completed the following actions:

10 (1) The conducting of an economic analysis for
11 each county in which a map change has occurred
12 since 2008 or in which the Administrator expects
13 changes to occur at any time during the process for
14 flood map modernization under the national flood in-
15 surance program.

16 (2) The establishment of a national arbitration
17 panel regarding flood map modernization, with panel
18 members selected by the Chief of the Army Corps of
19 Engineers and who may not include any officer or
20 employee of the Federal Emergency Management

1 Agency, to allow individuals impacted by a flood
2 map revision to challenge such a revision before a
3 new map takes effect.

4 (3) Establishment of a process under which sci-
5 entific and engineering data, including maps and an
6 explanation of how the Administrator makes a deter-
7 mination regarding a map revision, will be made
8 publicly available to any interested individuals to be
9 impacted by a flood map revision.

10 (4) Establishment of a process under which
11 each community to be impacted by a flood map revi-
12 sion will be provided an open community forum to
13 consult with and ask questions of the Federal Emer-
14 gency Management Agency.

