

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4435, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. ROSKAM OF ILLINOIS

At the end of subtitle E of title XII of division A,
add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 12__ . STATEMENT OF POLICY AND REPORT ON THE IN-**
2 **HERENT RIGHT OF ISRAEL TO SELF-DE-**
3 **FENSE.**

4 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
5 ings:

6 (1) The United States-Israel Enhanced Security
7 Cooperation Act of 2012 (22 U.S.C. 8601 et seq.)
8 established the policy of the United States to sup-
9 port the inherent right of Israel to self-defense.

10 (2) The United States-Israel Enhanced Security
11 Cooperation Act of 2012 (22 U.S.C. 8601 et seq.)
12 expressed the sense of Congress that the Govern-
13 ment of the United States should transfer to the
14 Government of Israel defense articles and defense
15 services such as air refueling tankers, missile de-
16 fense capabilities, and specialized munitions.

17 (3) The inherent right of Israel to self-defense
18 necessarily includes the possession and maintenance
19 by Israel of an independent capability to remove ex-

1 existential threats to its security and defend its vital
2 national interests.

3 (b) POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES.—It is the pol-
4 icy of the United States to take all necessary steps to en-
5 sure that Israel possesses and maintains an independent
6 capability to remove existential threats to its security and
7 defend its vital national interests.

8 (c) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
9 gress that air refueling tankers and advanced bunker-
10 buster munitions should immediately be transferred to
11 Israel to ensure our democratic ally has an independent
12 capability to remove any existential threat posed by the
13 Iranian nuclear program and defend its vital national in-
14 terests.

15 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
16 of the enactment of this Act, and every 180 days there-
17 after for a period not to exceed four years, the President
18 shall submit to the House and Senate Armed Services
19 committees, the House Foreign Affairs Committee, the
20 Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and the House and
21 Senate Appropriations committees a report that—

22 (1) identifies all aerial refueling platforms,
23 bunker-buster munitions, and other capabilities and
24 platforms that would contribute significantly to the
25 maintenance by Israel of a robust independent capa-

1 bility to remove existential security threats, includ-
2 ing nuclear and ballistic missile facilities in Iran,
3 and defend its vital national interests;

4 (2) assesses the availability for sale or transfer
5 of items necessary to acquire the capabilities and
6 platforms described in paragraph (1) as well as the
7 legal authorities available for making such transfers;
8 and

9 (3) describes the steps the President is taking
10 to immediately transfer the items described in para-
11 graph (1) pursuant to the policy described in sub-
12 section (b).

