

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4715, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MS. PINGREE OF MAINE AND MR.  
CUELLAR OF TEXAS**

Page 14, strike lines 17 through 23 and insert the following:

1           “(2) SPECIFIC ASSESSMENTS.—In conducting  
2           an evaluation under this subsection, the Adminis-  
3           trator shall—

4                   “(A) assess the effectiveness of the na-  
5                   tional estuary program in improving water  
6                   quality, natural resources, and sustainable uses  
7                   of the estuaries covered by management con-  
8                   ferences convened under this section;

9                   “(B) identify best practices for improving  
10                  water quality, natural resources, and sustain-  
11                  able uses of the estuaries covered by manage-  
12                  ment conferences convened under this section,  
13                  including those practices funded through the  
14                  use of technical assistance from the Environ-  
15                  mental Protection Agency and other Federal  
16                  agencies, and assess the reasons why such prac-  
17                  tices result in the achievement of program  
18                  goals; and

1           “(C) identify any redundant requirements  
2           for reporting by recipients of a grant under this  
3           section, and develop and recommend a plan for  
4           limiting reporting redundancies.

Page 15, line 4, strike “TO PUBLIC”.

Page 15, line 6, insert “management conferences  
convened under this section and” before “the public”.

