

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 2480**

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Page 49, line 18, insert before the period the following: “; **STUDY AND REPORT ON MARITAL AGE OF CONSENT**”.

Page 51, line 2, strike the closed quotation marks and second period.

Page 51, after line 2, insert the following:

1 “(d) **STUDY AND REPORT ON MARITAL AGE OF CON-**
2 **SENT.—**

3 “(1) **STUDY.—**The Secretary shall study, with
4 respect to each State—

5 “(A) the State law regarding the minimum
6 marriage age; and

7 “(B) the prevalence of marriage involving
8 a child who is under the age of such minimum
9 marriage age.

10 “(2) **FACTORS.—**The study required under
11 paragraph (1) shall include an examination of—

12 “(A) the extent to which any statutory ex-
13 ceptions to the minimum marriage age in such

1 laws contribute to the prevalence of marriage
2 involving a child described in paragraph (1)(B);

3 “(B) whether such exceptions allow such a
4 child to be married without the consent of such
5 child; and

6 “(C) the impact of such exceptions on the
7 safety of such children.

8 “(3) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the
9 date of enactment of the Stronger Child Abuse Pre-
10 vention and Treatment Act, the Secretary shall sub-
11 mit to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor,
12 and Pensions of the Senate and the Committee on
13 Education and Labor of the House of Representa-
14 tives a report containing the findings of the study
15 required by this subsection, including any best prac-
16 tices.”.

