H. R. 2998

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 21, 2011

Mr. McCaul (for himself, Mr. Poe of Texas, Mr. Gene Green of Texas, Mr. Bilirakis, Mr. King of New York, and Mr. Olson) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Ethical Shipping In-
- 5 spections Act of 2011".

SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON DELEGATION OF INSPECTION, CER-2 TIFICATION, AND RELATED SERVICES. 3 Section 3316 of title 46, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-4 5 section: "(e) The Secretary may not make a delegation, and 6 7 shall revoke an existing delegation made, to a foreign clas-8 sification society pursuant to subsection (b) or (d) to provide inspection, certification, or related services if the Sec-9 10 retary of State determines that the foreign classification society provides comparable services— 11 "(1) in Iran, North Korea, North Sudan, or 12 13 Syria; or "(2) for the government of Iran, North Korea, 14 North Sudan, or Syria.". 15

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