

**AMENDMENT TO COMMITTEE PRINT  
OFFERED BY MR. STEARNS OF FLORIDA**

On page 43, after line 21, insert the following (and make such technical and conforming changes as may be necessary):

1       “(i) EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEMS.—

2               “(1) NOTICE PRIOR TO INSTALLATION OR NUM-  
3       BER ACTIVATION OF VOIP SERVICE.—Prior to instal-  
4       lation or number activation of VOIP service for a  
5       customer, a VOIP service provider shall provide  
6       clear and conspicuous notice to the customer that—

7               “(A) such customer should arrange with  
8       his or her emergency response system provider,  
9       if any, to test such system after installation;

10              “(B) such customer should notify his or  
11       her emergency response system provider after  
12       VOIP service is installed; and

13              “(C) a battery backup is required for cus-  
14       tomer premises equipment installed in connec-  
15       tion with the VOIP service in order for the sig-  
16       naling of such system to function in the event  
17       of a power outage.

18              “(2) DEFINITION.—In this subsection:



1           “(A) The term ‘emergency response sys-  
2           tem’ means an alarm or security system, or per-  
3           sonal security or medical monitoring system,  
4           that is connected to an emergency response cen-  
5           ter by means of a telecommunications carrier or  
6           VOIP service provider.

7           “(B) The term ‘emergency response center’  
8           means an entity that monitors transmissions  
9           from an emergency response system.

