

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: To provide that the United States understands that the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, established under Article 34 of the Convention, is authorized under Article 36 to “consider” State Party Reports and to “make such suggestions and general recommendations on the report as it may consider appropriate”.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—112th Cong., 2d Sess.**

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. KERRY to the  
amendment (No. DAV12774) proposed by Mr. RUBIO

Viz:

1 Beginning on page 1 of the amendment, strike line  
2 2 and all that follows through page 2, line 5, and insert  
3 the following:

4 (6) The United States understands that the  
5 Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabil-  
6 ities, established under Article 34 of the Convention,  
7 is authorized under Article 36 to “consider” State  
8 Party Reports and to “make such suggestions and

1       general recommendations on the report as it may  
2       consider appropriate”. Under Article 37, the Com-  
3       mittee “shall give due consideration to ways and  
4       means of enhancing national capacities for the im-  
5       plementation of the present Convention”. The  
6       United States understands that the Committee on  
7       the Rights of Persons with Disabilities has no au-  
8       thority to compel actions by states parties, and the  
9       United States does not consider conclusions, rec-  
10      ommendations, or general comments issued by the  
11      Committee as constituting customary international  
12      law or to be legally binding on the United States in  
13      any manner.