

**Floor Amendment No. 4570 to S 2943**

**VITTER AMENDMENT SA 4570**

**TEXT OF AMENDMENT**

**SA 4570** Mr. VITTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2943, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2017 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title V, add the following:

**SEC. 538. MODIFICATION OF DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN ENLISTMENTS IN THE ARMED FORCES.**

Section 504(b)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking “if the Secretary” and all that follows and inserting “if—

“(A) the person is an alien who was inspected and admitted at the time of entry into the United States, has been in a lawful immigration status (except temporary protected status under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1254a)) continually for a period of at least five years since the time of admission, and has not violated any of the terms or conditions of such status; and

“(B) the Secretary determines that such enlistment is vital to the national interest.”.