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116TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to require removal for cause of Inspectors General, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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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 “Inspector General  
5 Independence Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT.**

7 The Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.)  
8 is amended—

1 (1) in section 3(b)—

2 (A) by striking “An Inspector General”  
3 and inserting “(1) An Inspector General”;

4 (B) by inserting after “by the President”  
5 the following: “in accordance with paragraph  
6 (2)”; and

7 (C) by inserting at the end the following  
8 new paragraph:

9 “(2) The President may remove an Inspector General  
10 before the expiration of the term of that Inspector General  
11 only for any of the following grounds:

12 “(A) Permanent incapacity.

13 “(B) Inefficiency.

14 “(C) Neglect of duty.

15 “(D) Malfeasance.

16 “(E) Conviction of a felony or conduct involving  
17 moral turpitude.

18 “(F) Knowing violation of a law, rule, or regu-  
19 lation.

20 “(G) Gross mismanagement.

21 “(H) Gross waste of funds.

22 “(I) Abuse of authority.”; and

23 (2) in section 8G(e)(2), by adding at the end  
24 the following new sentence: “An Inspector General  
25 may be removed before the expiration of the term of

1 that Inspector General only for any of the following  
2 grounds:

3 “(A) Permanent incapacity.

4 “(B) Inefficiency.

5 “(C) Neglect of duty.

6 “(D) Malfeasance.

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8 moral turpitude.

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11 “(G) Gross mismanagement.

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