

AMENDMENT NO.

Calendar No.

Purpose: To prevent retaliation against a member of the Armed Forces for providing testimony about the military value of a military installation.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—109th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. 1042

To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2006 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. THUNE

Viz:

1 On page 371, between lines 8 and 9, insert the fol-
2 lowing:

3 **SEC. 2887. TESTIMONY BY MEMBERS OF THE ARMED**
4 **FORCES IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2005**
5 **ROUND OF DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE AND RE-**
6 **ALIGNMENT.**

7 (a) TESTIMONY AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of De-
8 fense shall permit any member of the Armed Forces to

1 provide to the Defense Base Closure and Realignment
2 Commission testimony on the military value of a military
3 installation inside the United States for purposes of the
4 consideration by the Commission of the Secretary's rec-
5 ommendations for the 2005 round of defense base closure
6 and realignment under section 2914(d) of the Defense
7 Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (part A of title
8 XXIX of Public Law 101-510; 10 U.S.C. 2687 note).

9 (b) PROTECTION AGAINST RETALIATION.—No mem-
10 ber of the Armed Forces may be discharged, demoted, sus-
11 pended, threatened, harassed, or in any other manner dis-
12 criminated against because such member provided, caused
13 to be provided, or is about to provide testimony under sub-
14 section (a).