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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require the Secretary of State to submit a report to Congress on the status of political freedom in Venezuela.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. _____

To authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal year 2016, 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. RUBIO

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1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:
2 **SEC. ____ . REPORT ON POLITICAL FREEDOM IN VEN-**
3 **EZUELA.**

4 Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-
5 ment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to
6 the appropriate congressional committees that includes—
7 (1) an assessment of the support provided by
8 the United States to the people of Venezuela in their
9 aspiration to live under conditions of peace and rep-
10 resentative democracy (as defined by the Inter-
11 American Democratic Charter of the Organization of

1 American States, done at Lima September 11,
2 2001);

3 (2) an assessment of work carried out by the
4 United States, in cooperation with the other member
5 states of the Organization of American States and
6 countries of the European Union, to ensure—

7 (A) the peaceful resolution of the current
8 political situation in Venezuela; and

9 (B) the immediate cessation of violence
10 against antigovernment protestors;

11 (3) a list of the government and security offi-
12 cials in Venezuela who—

13 (A) are responsible for, or complicit in, the
14 use of force in relation to antigovernment pro-
15 tests and similar acts of violence; and

16 (B) have had their financial assets in the
17 United States frozen or been placed on a visa
18 ban by the United States; and

19 (4) an assessment of United States support for
20 the development of democratic political processes
21 and independent civil society in Venezuela.