

## 115TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 1665

To ensure that Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency considers severe local impact in making a recommendation to the President for a major disaster declaration.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 22, 2017

Mr. Rodney Davis of Illinois (for himself and Mrs. Bustos) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

## A BILL

- To ensure that Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency considers severe local impact in making a recommendation to the President for a major disaster declaration.
  - 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 "Disaster Declaration
  - 5 Improvement Act".
  - 6 SEC. 2. LOCAL IMPACT.
  - 7 In making recommendations to the President regard-
  - 8 ing a major disaster declaration, the Administrator shall

- 1 give greater weight and consideration to severe local im-
- 2 pact. Further, the Administrator shall make cor-
- 3 responding adjustments to the Agency's policies and regu-
- 4 lations regarding such consideration. Not later than 1 year
- 5 after the date of enactment of this section, the Adminis-
- 6 trator shall report to the Committees on Transportation
- 7 and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and
- 8 the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental
- 9 Affairs of the Senate on the changes made to regulations
- 10 and policies and the number of declarations that have been
- 11 declared based on the new criteria.

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