

Union Calendar No. 56

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1665

[Report No. 115–99]

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

APRIL 28, 2017

Additional sponsors: Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. BOST, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana, and Mr. BARLETTA

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 22, 2017]

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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 “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 of the*
9 *Federal Emergency Management Agency shall give greater*
10 *weight and consideration to severe local impact or recent*
11 *multiple disasters. Further, the Administrator shall make*
12 *corresponding adjustments to the Agency’s policies and reg-*
13 *ulations regarding such consideration. Not later than 1*
14 *year after the date of enactment of this section, the Admin-*
15 *istrator shall report to the Committee on Transportation*
16 *and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the*
17 *Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Af-*
18 *fairs of the Senate on the changes made to regulations and*
19 *policies and the number of declarations that have been de-*
20 *clared based on the new criteria.*

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