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H. R. 3163

To establish certain requirements relating to area mail processing studies.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. STUPAK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

A BILL

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processing studies.

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. DEFINITIONS.**

4 For purposes of this Act—

5 (1) the term “AMP study” means an area mail
6 processing study (as further defined in any manual
7 or handbook prepared by the Postal Service) which
8 relates to consolidating the operations of 2 or more
9 postal facilities; and

10 (2) the term “Postal Service” means the United
11 States Postal Service.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO AMP STUDIES.**

2 (a) DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION OF AN AMP
3 STUDY.—The results of an AMP study shall not be cog-
4 nizable for any purpose unless such study is completed on
5 or before—

6 (1) the 180th day after the date on which such
7 study is initiated (as determined under applicable
8 provisions of the manual or handbook referred to in
9 section 1(1)); or

10 (2) such later date (following the 180th day re-
11 ferred to in paragraph (1)) as the Postal Service
12 may determine, if—

13 (A) that later date is not more than 60
14 days after the 180th day referred to in para-
15 graph (1); and

16 (B) notice of that later date is provided, on
17 or before the 180th day referred to in para-
18 graph (1), to persons likely to be affected by
19 the results of the study.

20 (b) PRESERVATION OF STATUS QUO PENDING COM-
21 PLETION OF A STUDY.—The Postal Service shall ensure
22 that no reduction in the workforce of, and no removal of
23 equipment from, any postal facility occurs during the pe-
24 riod beginning on the date on which an AMP study is initi-
25 ated in connection with such facility and ending on the
26 earliest of—

1 (1) the date on which such study is completed;

2 (2) the deadline for completion of such study

3 under subsection (a); or

4 (3) the date as of which the Postal Service re-

5 scinds its plans for the consolidation involved.

6 **SEC. 3. APPLICABILITY.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—This Act shall apply with respect

8 to—

9 (1) any AMP study which is initiated on or
10 after the date of the enactment of this Act; and

11 (2) any AMP study which is initiated before,
12 and which remains pending on, the date of the en-
13 actment of this Act.

14 (b) SPECIAL RULE.—In the case of an AMP study
15 described in subsection (a)(2), section 2 shall be applied
16 by treating any reference to the 180th day after the date
17 on which such study is initiated to refer to such 180th
18 day or the 60th day after the date of the enactment of
19 this Act, whichever is later.

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