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H. R. 4298

To direct the Secretary of Labor to conduct a review of the forms related to obtaining workers' compensation benefits under the Federal Black Lung Benefits Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 29, 2012

Mr. MCKINLEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

A BILL

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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 “Burdensome Paper-
5 work Reduction for Our Miners Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REVIEW OF BLACK LUNG FORMS.**

7 (a) REVIEW.—Not later than 120 days after the date
8 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor, act-

1 ing through the Director of the Division of Coal Mine
2 Workers' Compensation and the Chief Information Officer
3 of the Department of Labor, and in consultation with the
4 Director of the Office of Management and Budget, shall
5 conduct a review of the forms related to obtaining workers'
6 compensation benefits under the Federal Black Lung Ben-
7 efits Program to determine whether it is feasible to com-
8 bine or reduce such forms in order to further the purposes
9 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law
10 104–13).

11 (b) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 1 year after
12 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall
13 implement any feasible combination or reduction of the
14 forms related to obtaining workers' compensation benefits
15 under the Federal Black Lung Benefits Program identi-
16 fied in the review conducted under subsection (a).

17 (c) REPORTS.—

18 (1) INITIAL REPORT OF REVIEW.—Not later
19 than 180 days after the date of the enactment of
20 this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to Con-
21 gress that describes the findings of the review con-
22 ducted under subsection (a).

23 (2) REPORT OF IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later
24 than 1 year after the Secretary implements any com-
25 bination or reduction of the forms related to obtain-

1 ing workers' compensation benefits under the Fed-
2 eral Black Lung Benefits Program under subsection
3 (b), the Secretary shall submit a report to Congress
4 that describes such implementation.

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