

112TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6547

To amend the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 to require greater experience of mine safety inspectors under that Act.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2012

Mr. SHIMKUS (for himself and Mr. BUCSHON) 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. QUALIFICATIONS OF FEDERAL MINE SAFETY**
4 **INSPECTORS.**

5 Section 505 of the Federal Mine Safety and Health
6 Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 954) is amended—

7 (1) by striking “to the maximum extent fea-
8 sible,”;

1 (2) by striking “five years practical mine expe-
2 rience” and inserting “10 years practical mine expe-
3 rience”; and

4 (3) by striking “due consideration shall be
5 given to the extent possible to their” and inserting
6 “and at least 2 years”.

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