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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

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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 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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