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# H. R. 1665

[Report No. 115-]

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.

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### 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 --, 2017

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]

## **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 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 *airs 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.*