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# H. R. 196

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ROSENDALE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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## 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 “Expediting Temporary  
5 Ratings for Veterans Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AUTOMATIC**  
2 **PROCESSING OF CERTAIN CLAIMS FOR TEM-**  
3 **PORARY DISABILITY RATINGS.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than one year after the  
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Vet-  
6 erans Affairs shall modify the information technology sys-  
7 tems of the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide for  
8 the automatic processing of claims for temporary disability  
9 ratings for veterans described in section 1156(a)(1)(C) of  
10 title 38, United States Code.

11 (b) **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.**—In providing for  
12 the automatic processing of claims as required under sub-  
13 section (a), the Secretary shall ensure that—

14 (1) medical evidence is obtained from the cor-  
15 porate data warehouse of the Department;

16 (2) employees of the Department continue to  
17 determine whether a veteran is eligible for a tem-  
18 porary disability rating under section 1156(a)(1)(C)  
19 of title 38, United States Code; and

20 (3) claims may be processed manually if the  
21 evidence of record is not sufficient to decide the  
22 claim or if the medical evidence is provided in a for-  
23 mat that is not compatible with the system devel-  
24 oped under subsection (a).