

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7083

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Page 2, line 16, strike “within 30 days” and insert “by the end of the 30-day period beginning on the date on which the automobile, other conveyance, or adaptive equipment is delivered to the eligible person”.

Page 2, line 22, strike “within the Central Office of the Department” and insert “across no more than five regional offices of the Veterans Benefits Administration”.

Add at the end the following new section:

1 SEC. 3. REPORT ON TIMELINESS OF PAYMENTS TO AUTO-
2 MOBILE SELLERS FOR AUTOMOBILES PUR-
3 CHASED FOR CERTAIN DISABLED VETERANS.

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than six months after
5 the date of the enactment of this Act, and not less fre-
6 quently than once every six months thereafter until the
7 date that is two years after such date, the Secretary of
8 Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on Vet-
9 erans Affairs of the House of Representatives and the
10 Senate a report on payments made to automobile sellers
11 under section 3902 of title 38, United States Code (as

1 amended by section 2) that includes, with respect to the
2 period covered by the report—

3 (1) the average amount of time (including the
4 mean and the median) for each regional office of the
5 Veterans Benefits Administration to make such pay-
6 ments;

7 (2) the number of instances when the regional
8 office made such a payment in an amount of time
9 that was at least two standard deviations above the
10 average amount identified under paragraph (1); and

11 (3) an assessment of the average amounts of
12 time that a claim for such a payment remained
13 pending with—

14 (A) the Veterans Health Administration;

15 (B) the Veterans Benefits Administration;

16 or

17 (C) the claimant, to provide more informa-
18 tion with respect to the claim.

19 (b) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary shall
20 make each report submitted pursuant to subsection (a)
21 available on a public Internet website of the Department.

