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SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2022)

117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 3655

To amend the Public Health Service Act to make updates to the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 1, 2021

Mr. Doggett (for himself and Mr. Upton) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Vaccine Injury Com-
5. pensation Modernization Act of 2022”.

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September 14, 2022 (1:44 p.m.)
SEC. 2. CHANGES TO VACCINE INJURY COMPENSATION PROGRAM.

(a) Establish Minimum Number of Special Masters.—Section 2112(c)(1) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300aa–12(c)(1)) is amended by striking “not more than 8” and inserting “not less than 10”.

(b) Additional Reporting Requirements.—Section 2112(c)(6)(E) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300aa–12(c)(6)(E)) is amended—

(1) by inserting after “disposition of petitions,” the following: “the number of petitions filed that are pending disposition, the number of hearings scheduled with respect to a pending disposition,”; and

(2) by inserting “, including recommendations on whether additional special masters are needed to ensure an expeditious and fair resolution of petitions or otherwise improve the Program” after “in the Program”.