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## 94th Congress

## Joint Resolution

Oct. 15, 1976
[H.J. Res. 1118]

To provide that qualified individuals may hear and determine claims for benefits under title IV of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969, and to provide for appeal to superior agency authority from any such determination.

Black lung benefits.
30 USC 932a.

*Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That qualified individuals appointed by the Secretary of Labor may hear and determine claims for benefits under part C of title IV of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969 and under section 415 of such Act. For purposes of this Joint Resolution, the term "qualified individual" means such an individual, regardless of whether that individual is a hearing examiner appointed under section 3105 of title 5, United States Code. Nothing in this Joint Resolution shall be deemed to imply that there is or is not in effect any authority for such individuals to hear and determine such claims under any provision of law other than this Joint Resolution.

30 USC 901.
30 USC 925.
"Qualified individual."

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