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H. R. 1864

To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide for the automated processing of veterans disability compensation claims.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 17, 2007

Mr. LAMBORN (for himself and Mr. BUYER) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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. AUTOMATED PROCESSING OF DISABILITY COM-**
4 **PENSATION CLAIMS BY DEPARTMENT OF**
5 **VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

6 (a) AUTOMATED CLAIMS PROCESSING.—Chapter 77
7 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at
8 the end the following new subchapter:

5 “(a) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary shall develop of
6 a rules-based expert system to automate the adjudication
7 of claims of veterans disability compensation. Such system
8 shall be designed to provide a disability rating rec-
9 ommendation based on the applicable rate of disability
10 compensation under chapter 11 of this title.

“(c) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than four years after the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary shall implement the rules-based expert system developed under subsection (a) at not less than two regional offices of the Department.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding at the end the following new items:

“2241. Automated processing of disability compensation claims.”.

