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H. R. 3363

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 16, 2023

Ms. DE LA CRUZ (for herself, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. COLE, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. MAST, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. NORMAN, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. EZELL, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. DONALDS, Mrs. LUNA, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. D'ESPOSITO, Mr. LANGWORTHY, Mr. MOLINARO, Mr. WEBER of Texas, and Mr. BABIN) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “VA Canine Reporting
5 Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON SERVICE DOGS; GUIDE DOGS.**

2 Section 1714 of title 38, United States Code, is
3 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
4 section:

5 “(g) Not less than annually, the Secretary shall sub-
6 mit to the Committees on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate
7 and House of Representatives a report, including—

8 “(1) the average time to provide a veteran with
9 a service dog or a guide dog in the prior year; and

10 “(2) legislative recommendations of the Sec-
11 retary to reduce the wait time for a veteran to be
12 provided with a service dog or a guide dog.”.

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