

Union Calendar No. 555

118TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 5870

[Report No. 118-659]

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 2, 2023

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

SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on October 2, 2023]

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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 “Veteran Appeals Trans-*
5 *parency Act of 2024”.*

6 **SEC. 2. BOARD OF VETERANS’ APPEALS PUBLICATION OF**
7 **DATES OF DOCKET ACTIVITY.**

8 *Section 7107 of title 38, United States Code, is amend-*
9 *ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:*

10 *“(f) PUBLICATION OF EXPECTED ACTIONS.—(1) On a*
11 *weekly basis, for each docket, the Board shall publish, on*
12 *a website of the Department, notice of the docket dates of*
13 *the cases assigned to a Board member for a decision for*
14 *that week.*

15 *“(2) Each notice published under paragraph (1) shall*
16 *include a statement that an assignment described in such*
17 *paragraph does not require the Board to issue a decision*
18 *regarding the case during such week.*

19 *“(3) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a case—*

20 *“(A) that has been advanced under subsection*
21 *(b); or*

22 *“(B) remanded by the United States Court of*
23 *Appeals for Veterans Claims.”.*

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