

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1746

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to reauthorize the pre-disaster mitigation program of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 26, 2009

Mr. OBERSTAR (for himself, Mr. MICA, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “Pre-Disaster Mitiga-
5 tion Act of 2009”.

6 **SEC. 2. PRE-DISASTER HAZARD MITIGATION.**

7 (a) **ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.**—Section 203(f) of the
8 Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assist-

1 ance Act (42 U.S.C. 5133(f)) is amended to read as fol-
2 lows:

3 “(f) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall award
5 financial assistance under this section on a competi-
6 tive basis and in accordance with the criteria in sub-
7 section (g).

8 “(2) MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM AMOUNTS.—In
9 providing financial assistance under this section, the
10 President shall ensure that the amount of financial
11 assistance made available to a State (including
12 amounts made available to local governments of the
13 State) for a fiscal year—

14 “(A) is not less than the lesser of—

15 “(i) \$575,000; or

16 “(ii) the amount that is equal to one
17 percent of the total funds appropriated to
18 carry out this section for the fiscal year;
19 and

20 “(B) does not exceed the amount that is
21 equal to 15 percent of the total funds appro-
22 priated to carry out this section for the fiscal
23 year.”.

1 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
2 203(m) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 5133(m)) is amended to
3 read as follows:

4 “(m) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
5 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
6 \$250,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2010, 2011, and
7 2012.”.

8 (c) REFERENCES.—Section 203 of such Act (42
9 U.S.C. 5133) is amended—

10 (1) in the section heading by striking

11 “**PREDISASTER**” and inserting “**PRE-DISASTER**”;

12 (2) in the heading for subsection (i) by striking

13 “PREDISASTER” and inserting “PRE-DISASTER”;

14 (3) by striking “Predisaster” each place it ap-
15 pears and inserting “Pre-Disaster”; and

16 (4) by striking “predisaster” each place it ap-
17 pears and inserting “pre-disaster”.

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