H. R. 2919

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 14, 2011

Mr. Bachus (for himself, Mr. Aderholt, Mr. Bonner, Mr. Rogers of Alabama, Mr. Brooks, and Ms. Sewell) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Community Shelter Protection Act of 2011”.

SEC. 2. NO REIMBURSEMENT REQUIRED FOR COVERED TORNADO SHELTER FACILITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Federal Emergency Management Agency
(FEMA) shall not require an educational institution Public Assistance applicant to reimburse FEMA for the market value of a covered temporary tornado shelter facility when the facility is no longer needed for its temporary purpose.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section the following definitions apply:

(1) COVERED TEMPORARY TORNADO SHELTER FACILITY.—The term “covered temporary shelter facility” means a structure—

(A) designed to provide children protection from a tornado; and

(B) constructed or acquired with Federal financial assistance.

(2) EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION.—The term “educational institution” means any elementary school or any secondary school that is an eligible applicant for FEMA assistance pursuant to section 403 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170b).