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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 21, 2012

Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CARPER, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental 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 “United States Fire
5 Administration Reauthorization Act of 2012”.

SEC. 2. CLARIFICATION OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN
UNITED STATES FIRE ADMINISTRATION AND
FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY.


(b) Establishment of Fire Administration Within Federal Emergency Management Agency.—Subsection (a) of section 5 of such Act (15 U.S.C. 2204) is amended by striking “Department of Commerce” and inserting “Federal Emergency Management Agency”.

(c) Discretionary Appointment of a Deputy Administrator.—Such section is further amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

“(c) Deputy Administrator.—The Administrator may appoint a Deputy Administrator, who shall—

“(1) perform such functions as the Administrator shall from time to time assign or delegate; and

“(2) act as Administrator during the absence or disability of the Administrator or in the event of a vacancy in the office of Administrator.”.
SEC. 3. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY OF ADMINISTRATOR OF UNITED STATES FIRE ADMINISTRATION TO EDUCATE PUBLIC ABOUT FIRE AND FIRE PREVENTION.

Section 6 of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2205) is amended by striking “to take all steps” and all that follows through “fire and fire prevention” and inserting “to take such steps as the Administrator considers appropriate to educate the public and overcome public indifference as to fire, fire prevention, and individual preparedness.”.

SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR UNITED STATES FIRE ADMINISTRATION.

Section 17(g)(1) of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2216(g)(1)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (G), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in subparagraph (H), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

(3) by inserting after subparagraph (H) the following:

“(I) $76,490,890 for fiscal year 2013;

“(J) $76,490,890 for fiscal year 2014;

“(K) $76,490,890 for fiscal year 2015;

“(L) $76,490,890 for fiscal year 2016; and

“(M) $76,490,890 for fiscal year 2017.”.
SEC. 5. AMENDMENT TO DEFINITION REGARDING ADMINIS-
TRATOR OF FEMA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4 of the Federal Fire Pre-
vention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2203) is
amended in paragraph (4), by striking “‘Director’ means”
and all that follows through “Agency;” and inserting
“‘Administrator of FEMA’ means the Administrator of
the Federal Emergency Management Agency;”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) ADMINISTRATOR OF FEMA.—The Federal
2201 et seq.) is amended by striking “Director”
each place it appears and inserting “Administrator
of FEMA”.

(2) ADMINISTRATOR OF FEMA’S AWARD.—Se-
ction 15 of such Act (15 U.S.C. 2214) is amended by
striking “Director’s Award” each place it appears
and inserting “Administrator’s Award”.

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