

Public Law 96-568
96th Congress

An Act

Dec. 22, 1980
[S. 3027]

To extend authorization for the Disaster Relief Act, and for other purposes.

Disaster Relief
Act
Amendments of
1980.
42 USC 5121
note.
42 USC 5202.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Disaster Relief Act Amendments of 1980".

SEC. 2. Section 606 of the Disaster Relief Act of 1974, as amended, is amended by striking "September 30, 1980" and inserting in lieu thereof "September 30, 1981, and to the Federal Emergency Management Agency such sums as may be necessary for administrative expenses through the close of September 30, 1981."

Erroneous relief
payments,
liability.

SEC. 3. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the Disaster Relief Act of 1970 (the Act), any unit of local government or any of the privately owned nonprofit libraries listed in subsection (b) is relieved from any liability for the repayment of contributions erroneously made by the United States for disaster relief activities for the benefit of such libraries which were damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Agnes in 1972 in the State of Pennsylvania.

Libraries,
assistance
eligibility.

(b) The following libraries are hereby entitled to assistance as if eligible under the provisions of the Act as in effect at the time of such disaster:

- (1) the William D. Himmelreich Memorial Library in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania;
- (2) the Milton Library in Milton, Pennsylvania;
- (3) the Shippensburg Public Library in Shippensburg, Pennsylvania;
- (4) the West Shore Public Library in Camp Hill, Pennsylvania;
- (5) the Osterhout Library in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania; and
- (6) the West Pittston Library in West Pittston, Pennsylvania.

(c) In the audit and settlement of the accounts of any certifying or disbursing officer of the United States, credit shall be given for the amount for which liability is relieved by this Act.

Approved December 22, 1980.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

HOUSE REPORT No. 96-962 accompanying H.R. 6863 (Comm. on Public Works and Transportation).

SENATE REPORT No. 96-891 (Comm. on Environment and Public Works).

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 126 (1980):

Sept. 26, considered and passed Senate.

Nov. 21, H.R. 6863 considered and passed House; passage vacated and S. 3027, amended, passed in lieu.

Dec. 15, Senate disagreed to House amendments.

Dec. 16, House receded from its amendments.