

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1384

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to expand the definition of the term “major disaster” to include an application of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 that causes severe economic hardship.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 3, 2001

Mr. SMITH of Oregon introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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. DEFINITION OF MAJOR DISASTER.**

4 Section 102(2) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster
5 Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122(2))
6 is amended—

1 (1) by striking “means any natural” and insert-
2 ing the following: “means—

3 “(A) any natural”;

4 (2) by striking the period at the end and insert-
5 ing “; and”; and

6 (3) by adding at the end the following:

7 “(B) any application of the Endangered
8 Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.)
9 that, in the determination of the President,
10 causes economic hardship of sufficient severity
11 and magnitude to warrant major disaster as-
12 sistance under this Act.”.

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