108TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION H.R. 3804

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to make beach nourishment projects eligible for inclusion in mitigation plans and for hazard mitigation assistance.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 11, 2004

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

- To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to make beach nourishment projects eligible for inclusion in mitigation plans and for hazard mitigation assistance.
 - 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. MITIGATION PLANNING.

4 Section 322 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief
5 and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5165) is
6 amended by adding at the end the following:

7 "(f) ELIGIBILITY OF BEACH NOURISHMENT8 PROJECTS.—Beach nourishment projects that meet such

standards as the Secretary of the Army may establish
 shall be eligible for inclusion in a mitigation plan as an
 action to mitigate hazards, risks, and vulnerabilities iden tified under a mitigation plan developed under this sec tion.".

6 SEC. 2. HAZARD MITIGATION.

7 Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief
8 and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170c) is
9 amended by adding at the end the following:

10 "(d) ELIGIBILITY OF BEACH NOURISHMENT **PROJECTS.**—Beach nourishment projects that meet such 11 12 standards as the Secretary of the Army may establish 13 shall be treated for purposes of this section as hazard miti-14 gation measures which are cost effective and substantially 15 reduce the risk of future damage, hardship, loss or suffering in an area affected by a major disaster and shall 16 be eligible for assistance under this section.". 17

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