

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1874

To improve national pier inspections and safety standards.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 27, 2005

Mr. ANDREWS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 To be supplied.

5 **SEC. 2. STANDARDS.**

6 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
7 of this Act, the Secretary of the Army, acting through the
8 Chief of Engineers, shall establish standards and regula-
9 tions regarding the inspection and safety of piers and wa-
10 terfront structures. To assist in the development of such
11 standards and regulations, the Chief of Engineers shall
12 use as a guide, bill number 020310, adopted by the City

1 of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, which amends title 4 of the
2 Philadelphia Code (the Philadelphia Building Construc-
3 tion and Occupancy Code).

4 **SEC. 3. ELIGIBILITY FOR FUNDS.**

5 To be eligible to receive funds for a project funded
6 through the Army Corps of Engineers each State shall
7 provide annual documentation to the Chief of Engineers
8 that the State has adopted and is enforcing standards and
9 regulations that are at least as rigorous as those estab-
10 lished pursuant to section 2.

11 **SEC. 4. REPORTS.**

12 Beginning in January of 2007, and each year there-
13 after, the Chief of Engineers shall submit a report to the
14 appropriate Committees of Congress regarding State com-
15 pliance with pier and waterfront inspection and safety.

16 **SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

17 This Act shall apply to projects to be funded through
18 the Army Corps of Engineers beginning in 2007.

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