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# H. R. 3747

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 13, 2005

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

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## 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 “Disaster Recovery Act  
5 of 2005”.

1 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS AND**  
2 **HOUSEHOLDS FOR DAMAGES SUFFERED AS A**  
3 **RESULT OF HURRICANE KATRINA.**

4 The President may waive the limitations contained in  
5 subsections (c)(2)(C), (c)(3)(B), and (h)(1) of section 408  
6 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency  
7 Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5174) with respect to individ-  
8 uals and households receiving assistance for damages suf-  
9 fered as a result of Hurricane Katrina.

10 **SEC. 3. HAZARD MITIGATION.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—The last sentence of section  
12 404(a) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and  
13 Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170c(a)) is  
14 amended by striking “7.5” and inserting “15”.

15 (b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendment made by sub-  
16 section (a) shall apply with respect to a major disaster  
17 declared by the President on or after August 24, 2005.

18 **SEC. 4. REPAIRS OF PRIVATE RESIDENCES.**

19 Section 408(c)(2)(C) of the Robert T. Stafford Dis-  
20 aster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.  
21 5174(c)(2)(C)) is amended by striking “\$5,000” and in-  
22 serting “\$25,500”.

23 **SEC. 5. APPROVAL OF STATE MANAGEMENT COSTS.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Federal  
25 Emergency Management Agency shall—

1           (1) administer State management costs in a  
2           consistent manner, in accordance with the guidelines  
3           contained in section 206.228 of title 44, Code of  
4           Federal Regulations; and

5           (2) implement a process under which the Direc-  
6           tor will approve or disapprove such State manage-  
7           ment costs on or before the last day of the 30-day  
8           period beginning on the date of submission of the  
9           costs to the Director.

10          (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 120 days  
11 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director shall  
12 transmit to Congress a report containing—

13           (1) a description of the process used by the Di-  
14           rector to consult with State emergency management  
15           officials when changes are proposed to the guidance  
16           referred to in subsection (a)(1); and

17           (2) a description of the process established  
18           under subsection (a)(2).

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