109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 3759

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 13, 2005

Mr. WYNN (for himself and Mr. Lewis of Kentucky) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
 3 SECTION 1. PENALTY-FREE WITHDRAWALS FROM QUALI4 FIED RETIREMENT PLANS FOR INDIVIDUALS
 5 WITHIN HURRICANE KATRINA DISASTER
 6 AREA.
 7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (2) of section 72(t) of
- 8 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to 10-percent

- 1 additional tax on early distributions from qualified retire-
- 2 ment plans) is amended by adding at the end the following
- 3 new subparagraph:
- 4 "(G) Distributions to victims of hur-5 RICANE KATRINA.—Distributions made before 6 December 31, 2006, to individuals who reside 7 within, or hold real property located within, an 8 area determined by the President to warrant 9 assistance from the Federal Government under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and 10 11 Emergency Assistance Act by reason of Hurri-12 cane Katrina. Distributions shall not be taken 13 into account under the preceding sentence if 14 such distributions are described in subpara-15 graph (A), (D), (E), or (F) or to the extent 16 paragraph (1) does not apply to such distribu-17 tions by reason of subparagraph (B).".
- (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Clause (i) of sec-19 tion 401(k)(2)(B) of such Code is amended by striking 20 "or" at the end of subclause (III), by striking "and" at 21 the end of subclause (IV) and inserting "or", and by in-22 serting after subclause (IV) the following new subclause: 23 "(V) a distribution described in

section 72(t)(2)(G), and".

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- 1 (c) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 2 this section shall apply to distributions received after the
- 3 date of the enactment of this Act, in taxable years ending

4 after such date.

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