

109TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3834

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 20, 2005

Mr. PALLONE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Education and the Workforce

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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. NO SUSPENSION OF WAGE REQUIREMENTS**  
4               **DURING NATIONAL EMERGENCY.**

5       Subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United  
6       States Code, is amended by striking section 3147.

1 **SEC. 2. REINSTATEMENT OF WAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR**  
2 **RECONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS RELATED TO**  
3 **HURRICANE KATRINA.**

4       Notwithstanding the proclamation by the President  
5 dated September 8, 2005, or any other provision of law,  
6 the provisions of subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40,  
7 United States Code (and the provisions of all other related  
8 Acts to the extent they depend upon a determination by  
9 the Secretary of Labor under section 3142 of such title),  
10 shall apply to all contracts to which such provisions would  
11 otherwise apply that are entered into on or after the date  
12 of enactment of this Act, and that are to be performed  
13 in the counties affected by Hurricane Katrina and de-  
14 scribed in such proclamation.

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