110TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

S. 2388

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, to increase the maximum amount of assistance to individuals and households.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 16, 2007

Mrs. Feinstein (for herself and Mrs. Boxer) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

A BILL

- To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, to increase the maximum amount of assistance to individuals and households.
 - 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 Rebuilding
 - 5 Assistance Act of 2007".
 - 6 SEC. 2. DISASTER RELIEF.
 - 7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 408(h)(1) of the Robert
 - 8 T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act
 - 9 (42 U.S.C. 5174(h)(1)) is amended—

| 1 | (1) by | striking | "\$25,000" | and | inserting |
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| 2 | "\$50,000"; and | | | | |
| _ | (2) | | | | |

- 3 (2) by inserting before the period at the end the 4 following: ", except that the President may increase 5 the amount of financial assistance that may be re-6 ceived under this section for an individual or house-7 hold residing in a State with a high cost of living (as 8 determined by the President)".
- 9 (b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by 10 this Act shall apply to any major disaster (as that term 11 is defined in section 102 of the Robert T. Stafford Dis12 aster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 13 5122)) declared on or after October 21, 2007.

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