112TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R.3517

To amend the Passport Act of 1920 to waive the collection of passport fees to replace passports that were lost, damaged, or destroyed as a result of major disasters or emergencies.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 29, 2011

Mr. OWENS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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 "Passport Recovery As-
- 5 sistance Act of 2011".

1SEC. 2. WAIVER OF PASSPORT FEES RELATING TO EX-2TREME WEATHER EVENTS.

3 Subsection (a) of section 1 of the Passport Act of 4 1920 (22 U.S.C. 214) is amended by inserting before the 5 last sentence the following new sentence: "No passport fee shall be collected from an individual to replace an unex-6 pired passport that was lost, damaged, or destroyed as a 7 8 result of an event that resulted in the President declaring, pursuant to section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster 9 10 Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170), that a major disaster or emergency exists relating to such 11 12 event.".

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