

114TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2397

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 18, 2015

Mr. COLE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

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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 “Tornado Family Safety  
5       Act of 2015”.

6       **SEC. 2. USE OF PHYSICAL DAMAGE DISASTER LOANS TO**  
7       **CONSTRUCT SAFE ROOMS.**

8       Section 7(b)(1)(A) of the Small Business Act (15  
9       U.S.C. 636(b)(1)(A)) is amended by striking “mitigating  
10       measures” and all that follows through “modifying struc-

1 tures” and inserting the following: “mitigating measures,  
2 including—

3 “(i) construction of retaining walls and sea  
4 walls;

5 “(ii) grading and contouring land; and

6 “(iii) relocating utilities and modifying  
7 structures, including construction of a safe  
8 room or similar storm shelter designed to pro-  
9 tect property and occupants from tornadoes or  
10 other natural disasters”.

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