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H. R. 4143

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 9, 2024

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science,
and Transportation

AN ACT

To amend the National Construction Safety Team Act to enable the National Institute of Standards and Technology to investigate structures other than buildings to inform the development of engineering standards, best practices, and building codes related to such structures, and for other purposes.

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 “National Construction
5 Safety Team Enhancement Act of 2024”.

6 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION SAFETY TEAM EN-**
7 **HANCEMENT.**

8 The National Construction Safety Team Act is
9 amended—

10 (1) in section 2 (15 U.S.C. 7301)—

11 (A) in subsection (a)—

12 (i) in the first sentence, by striking
13 “buildings” and inserting “structure”; and

14 (ii) by inserting after the first sen-
15 tence the following new sentence: “In in-
16 stances in which the failure of the building
17 or structure is the proper subject for inves-
18 tigation by another Federal agency, the
19 Director shall defer to the authority of
20 such agency.”;

21 (B) in subsection (b)—

22 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking
23 “buildings” and inserting “the built envi-
24 ronment”; and

25 (ii) in paragraph (2)—

1 (I) in subparagraph (A), by in-
2 serting “or structure” after “build-
3 ing”;

4 (II) in subparagraph (C), by
5 striking “building standards, codes,
6 and practices” and inserting “engi-
7 neering standards, practices, and
8 building codes”; and

9 (III) in subparagraph (D), by
10 striking “buildings” and inserting
11 “the built environment”; and

12 (C) in subsection (c)(1)—

13 (i) in subparagraph (G), by inserting
14 “or structure” after “building”; and

15 (ii) in subparagraph (J)—

16 (I) by inserting “or structure”
17 after “building”; and

18 (II) by inserting “or the National
19 Windstorm Impact Reduction Act of
20 2004” after “1977”;

21 (2) in section 4 (15 U.S.C. 7303)—

22 (A) by striking the term “building” each
23 place it appears; and

24 (B) by inserting “building or structure”
25 before “failure” each place it appears;

1 (3) in section 7 (15 U.S.C. 7306), by inserting
2 “or structure” after “building”;

3 (4) in section 8 (15 U.S.C. 7307)—

4 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or
5 structure” after “building”;

6 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “stand-
7 ards, codes, and practices” and inserting “engi-
8 neering standards, practices, and building
9 codes”; and

10 (C) in paragraph (4), by inserting “and
11 structure” after “building”;

12 (5) in section 9(2) (15 U.S.C. 7308(2)), by
13 striking “building standards, codes, and practices”
14 each place it appears and inserting “engineering
15 standards, practices, and building codes”; and

16 (6) in section 14 (15 U.S.C. 7312), by striking
17 “building standards, codes, or practices” and insert-
18 ing “engineering standards, practices, and building
19 codes”.

Passed the House of Representatives May 8, 2024.

Attest:

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Clerk.