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**S. 1486** 

To provide relocation assistance in connection with flooding in the Midwest, and for other purposes.

### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 22 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 7), 1993

Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, and Mr. GRASSLEY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

## 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 "Comprehensive Cost

5 Effective Relocation Act of 1993".

#### 6 SEC. 2. HAZARD MITIGATION.

7 (a) FEDERAL SHARE.—Section 404 of the Robert T.
8 Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act
9 (42 U.S.C. 5170c) is amended by striking "50 percent"
10 and inserting "75 percent".

(b) TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—Section 404 of such
 Act is further amended by striking "10 percent" and in 3 serting "15 percent".

4 (c) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by this
5 section shall apply to any major disaster declared on or
6 after June 10, 1993.

# 7 SEC. 3. RELOCATION ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH 8 MIDWEST FLOODING.

9 (a) INCREASE IN FEDERAL SHARE.—In providing hazard mitigation assistance under section 404 of the 10 Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assist-11 ance Act in connection with flooding in the Midwest occur-12 ring in the 1-year period beginning on April 13, 1993, the 13 President, acting through the Director of the Federal 14 Emergency Management Agency, may contribute 90 per-15 cent of the cost of relocation projects which meet the re-16 quirements of subsection (b). 17

(b) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—A relocation project
shall be eligible for funding under subsection (a) only if—
(1) the recipient of such funding is an eligible
applicant under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program established under section 404 of the Robert T.
Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance
Act;

(2) the recipient of such funding enters into an
 agreement with the Director of the Federal Emer gency Management Agency under which the recipi ent provides assurances that—

5 (A) properties acquired under the project 6 will be dedicated in perpetuity to uses which are 7 compatible with accepted flood plain manage-8 ment practices; and

9 (B) new structures will not be erected on 10 the flood plain other than (i) public facilities 11 which are open on all sides and functionally re-12 lated to a designated open space, (ii) rest 13 rooms, and (iii) structures which are approved 14 prior to construction in writing by the Director; 15 and

16 (3) the recipient of such funding demonstrates
17 that relocation assistance is unavailable from other
18 sources.

(c) FUNDING.—For the purpose of funding relocation
projects under subsection (a), the Director of the Federal
Emergency Management Agency is authorized to waive
the limitation on total contributions for hazard mitigation
measures established by section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as
amended by this Act, except that in no case may such con-

tributions exceed 10 percent of the estimated total amount
 of Federal disaster assistance to be provided under such
 Act in connection with flooding described in subsection
 (a).