

Union Calendar No. 460

110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6109

[Report No. 110-725]

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to reauthorize the pre-disaster hazard mitigation program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 21, 2008

Mr. OBERSTAR (for himself, Mr. MICA, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. GRAVES) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

JUNE 19, 2008

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Pre-Disaster Mitiga-
3 tion Act of 2008”.

4 **SEC. 2. PRE-DISASTER HAZARD MITIGATION.**

5 (a) **ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.**—Section 203(f) of such
6 Act (42 U.S.C. 5133(f)) is amended to read as follows:

7 “(f) **ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.**—

8 “(1) **BASE AMOUNT.**—The amount of financial
9 assistance made available to a State (including
10 amounts made available to local governments of the
11 State) under this section for a fiscal year—

12 “(A) shall be not less than the lesser of—

13 “(i) \$575,000; or

14 “(ii) the amount that is equal to 1.0
15 percent of the total funds appropriated to
16 carry out this section for the fiscal year;
17 and

18 “(B) shall be subject to the criteria speci-
19 fied in subsection (g).

20 “(2) **COMPETITIVE PROGRAM.**—Other than the
21 amounts described in paragraph (1), financial assist-
22 ance made available to a State (including amounts
23 made available to local governments of the State)
24 under this section shall be awarded on a competitive
25 basis subject to the criteria in subsection (g).

1 “(3) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The amount of fi-
2 nancial assistance made available to a State (includ-
3 ing amounts made available to local governments of
4 the State) for a fiscal year shall not exceed 15 per-
5 cent of the total amount of funds appropriated to
6 carry out this section for the fiscal year.”.

7 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
8 203(m) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 5133(m)) is amended to
9 read as follows:

10 “(m) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
11 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
12 \$250,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2009, 2010, and
13 2011.”.

14 (c) REFERENCES.—Section 203 of such Act (42
15 U.S.C. 5133) is amended—

16 (1) in the section heading by striking
17 “**PREDISASTER**” and inserting “**PRE-DISASTER**”;

18 (2) in the subsection heading for subsection (i)
19 by striking “PREDISASTER” and inserting “PRE-
20 DISASTER”;

21 (3) by striking “Predisaster” each place it ap-
22 pears and inserting “Pre-Disaster”; and

23 (4) by striking “predisaster” each place it ap-
24 pears and inserting “pre-disaster”.

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