

116TH CONGRESS  
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# S. 1521

To amend section 327 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to clarify that National Urban Search and Rescue Response System task forces may include Federal employees.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 16, 2019

Mr. HAWLEY (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Ms. HASSAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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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. FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AND NATIONAL URBAN**  
4                       **SEARCH AND RESCUE RESPONSE SYSTEM**  
5                       **TASK FORCES.**

6       Section 327 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief  
7       and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5165f) is  
8       amended by adding at the end the following:

1       “(p) FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.—Nothing in this section  
2 shall be construed to mean that a task force may not in-  
3 clude Federal employees. In the case of a Federal em-  
4 ployee detailed to a task force, the sponsoring agency shall  
5 enter into an agreement with the relevant employing Fed-  
6 eral agency.”.

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