

106<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 3595

To increase the authorization of appropriations for the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2000

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (by request) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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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. INCREASED AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-**  
4                               **TIONS FOR THE RECLAMATION SAFETY OF**  
5                               **DAMS ACT OF 1978.**

6       The Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 is  
7       amended—

8                       (1) in section 4 (43 U.S.C. 508)—

1 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “or from  
2 nonperformance of reasonable and normal  
3 maintenance of the structure by the operating  
4 entity”;

5 (B) in subsection (c), by—

6 (i) inserting after “1984” the fol-  
7 lowing: “and the additional \$380,000,000  
8 further authorized to be appropriated by  
9 amendments to that Act in 2000”;

10 (ii) striking paragraph (2) and redesi-  
11 gnating paragraphs (3) and (4) as para-  
12 graphs (2) and (3), respectively; and

13 (iii) in the first sentence of paragraph  
14 (3), as so redesignated, inserting “irriga-  
15 tion,” after “Costs allocated to the purpose  
16 of”, and inserting “without regard to  
17 water users’ ability to pay” before the pe-  
18 riod at the end; and

19 (C) in subsection (d), by inserting before  
20 the period at the end the following: “: *Provided*  
21 *further*, That the Secretary is authorized to ex-  
22 pend payments of such reimbursable costs made  
23 pursuant to a repayment contract at any time  
24 prior to completion of construction”; and

25 (2) in section 5 (43 U.S.C. 509), by—

1 (A) inserting after “levels)” the following:  
2 “and, effective October 1, 1997, not to exceed  
3 an additional \$380,000,000 (October 1, 2000,  
4 price levels),”;

5 (B) striking “\$750,000” and inserting  
6 “\$1,200,000 (October 1, 2000, price levels),  
7 plus or minus such amounts, if any, as may be  
8 justified by reason of ordinary fluctuations in  
9 construction costs as indicated by engineering  
10 cost indexes applicable to the types of construc-  
11 tion involved herein,”; and

12 (C) striking “sixty days (which” and all  
13 that follows through “day certain)” and insert-  
14 ing “30 calendar days”.

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