

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3510

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to provide for the stockpiling of potassium iodide tablets in the United States in areas within a 50-mile radius of the homeport of a naval vessel operated by nuclear power.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 18, 2001

Mr. FILNER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “Community Assistance
5 for Radiation Emergencies (CARE) Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STOCKPILING OF POTASSIUM IODIDE TABLETS IN**
2 **AREAS SURROUNDING HOMEPORTS OF NU-**
3 **CLEAR-POWERED NAVAL VESSELS.**

4 Subtitle A of title VI of the Robert T. Stafford Dis-
5 aster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.
6 5196 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
7 lowing:

8 **“SEC. 616. STOCKPILING OF POTASSIUM IODIDE TABLETS**
9 **IN AREAS SURROUNDING HOMEPORTS OF**
10 **NUCLEAR-POWERED NAVAL VESSELS.**

11 “(a) DEVELOPMENT OF PLAN.—The Director, jointly
12 with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and other appro-
13 priate Federal agencies, shall develop a plan for stock-
14 piling potassium iodide tablets in the United States in
15 areas within a 50-mile radius of the homeport of a naval
16 vessel operated by nuclear power.

17 “(b) CONTENTS.—The plan shall include a strategy
18 for the efficient storage and prompt delivery of potassium
19 iodide tablets to persons that may be affected by a disaster
20 involving a naval vessel operated by nuclear power.

21 “(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year
22 after the date of enactment of this section, the Director
23 shall transmit the plan to Congress.

24 “(d) IMPLEMENTATION.—Following the 60-day pe-
25 riod beginning on the date of transmittal of the plan under

1 subsection (c), the Director shall begin implementation of
2 the plan.”.

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