

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2704

To give the consent of Congress to an agreement or compact between Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas for the purpose of establishing an all-hazard mitigation, readiness, response, and recovery plan, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 13, 2007

Mr. BILIRAKIS (for himself and Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Gulf Coast All-Hazard
5 Readiness Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONSENT OF CONGRESS.**

2 (a) CONSENT.—The consent of Congress is given to
3 any number of the Gulf Coast States to negotiate and
4 enter into an agreement or compact that meets the fol-
5 lowing requirements:

6 (1) The agreement or compact is consented to
7 by the legislatures of each of the participating Gulf
8 Coast States through legislation enacted not later
9 than December 31, 2010.

10 (2) The agreement or compact is entered into
11 primarily for the purpose of establishing a plan for
12 all-hazard mitigation, readiness, response, and recov-
13 ery.

14 (3) The agreement or compact establishes a
15 multi-state all-hazard fund generated by partici-
16 pating Gulf Coast States to be utilized when a dis-
17 aster affects those States.

18 (4) The agreement or compact requires each of
19 the participating Gulf Coast States to appoint a
20 commissioner to organize the operation, manage-
21 ment, and disbursement of the multi-state all-hazard
22 fund in coordination with the other commissioners.

23 (5) The agreement or compact prohibits partici-
24 pating Gulf Coast States from taking an action pro-
25 hibited by Federal law at the time of such action.

1 (b) GULF COAST STATES DEFINED.—As used in this
2 section, the term “Gulf Coast States” means Alabama,
3 Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas.

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