

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3311

AN ACT

To authorize additional funds for emergency repairs and reconstruction of the Interstate I-35 bridge located in Minneapolis, Minnesota, that collapsed on August 1, 2007, to waive the \$100,000,000 limitation on emergency relief funds for those emergency repairs and reconstruction, and for other purposes.

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. ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY RELIEF FUNDING.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Transportation
5 is authorized to carry out a project for the repair and re-
6 construction of the Interstate I–35W bridge located in
7 Minneapolis, Minnesota, that collapsed on August 1, 2007.

8 (b) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of the cost
9 of the project carried out under this section shall be 100
10 percent.

11 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
12 authorized to be appropriated \$250,000,000 to carry out
13 this section. Such sums shall remain available until ex-
14 pended.

15 **SEC. 2. WAIVER OF EMERGENCY RELIEF LIMITATION.**

16 The limitation contained in section 125(d)(1) of title
17 23, United States Code, of \$100,000,000 shall not apply
18 to expenditures under section 125 of such title for the re-
19 pair or reconstruction of the Interstate I–35W bridge lo-
20 cated in Minneapolis, Minnesota, that collapsed on August
21 1, 2007.

1 **SEC. 3. EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY FOR TRANSIT AND TRAVEL**
2 **INFORMATION SERVICES.**

3 Section 1112 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Effi-
4 cient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (119
5 Stat. 1171) is amended—

6 (1) by inserting “(a) IN GENERAL.—” before
7 “There”; and

8 (2) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(b) MINNESOTA.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any provi-
11 sion of chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code, the
12 Secretary may—

13 “(A) use funds authorized to carry out the
14 emergency relief program under section 125 of
15 such title for the repair and reconstruction of
16 the Interstate I–35W bridge in Minneapolis,
17 Minnesota, that collapsed on August 1, 2007;
18 and

19 “(B) use not to exceed \$5,000,000 of the
20 funds authorized to carry out the emergency re-
21 lief program under section 125 of such title to
22 reimburse the Minnesota State department of
23 transportation for actual and necessary costs of
24 maintenance and operation, less the amount of
25 fares earned, for additional public transpor-
26 tation services and traveler information services

1 which are provided by the Metropolitan Council
2 (of Minnesota) as a temporary substitute for
3 highway traffic service following the collapse of
4 the Interstate I-35W bridge in Minneapolis,
5 Minnesota, on August 1, 2007, until highway
6 traffic service is restored on such bridge.

7 “(2) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of
8 the cost of activities reimbursed under this sub-
9 section shall be 100 percent.”.

Passed the House of Representatives August 3,
2007.

Attest:

Clerk.

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