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S. 3175

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to reauthorize the predisaster hazard mitigation program, to make technical corrections to that Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 20 (legislative day, JUNE 19), 2008

Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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 “Predisaster Hazard
5 Mitigation Act of 2008”.

6 **SEC. 2. PREDISASTER HAZARD MITIGATION.**

7 (a) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Section 203(f) of the
8 Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assist-

1 ance Act (42 U.S.C. 5133(f)) is amended to read as fol-
2 lows:

3 “(f) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall award
5 financial assistance under this section on a competi-
6 tive basis and in accordance with the criteria in sub-
7 section (g).

8 “(2) MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM AMOUNTS.—In
9 providing financial assistance under this section, the
10 President shall ensure that the amount of financial
11 assistance made available to a State (including
12 amounts made available to local governments of the
13 State) for a fiscal year—

14 “(A) is not less than the lesser of—

15 “(i) \$575,000; and

16 “(ii) the amount that is equal to 1
17 percent of the total funds appropriated to
18 carry out this section for the fiscal year;
19 and

20 “(B) does not exceed the amount that is
21 equal to 15 percent of the total funds appro-
22 priated to carry out this section for the fiscal
23 year.”.

24 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
25 203(m) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and

1 Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5133(m)) is amend-
2 ed to read as follows:

3 “(m) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
4 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this sec-
5 tion—

6 “(1) \$160,000,000 for fiscal year 2009;

7 “(2) \$170,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

8 “(3) \$180,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;

9 “(4) \$190,000,000 for fiscal year 2012; and

10 “(5) \$200,000,000 for fiscal year 2013.”.

11 **SEC. 3. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

12 The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emer-
13 gency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.) is amend-
14 ed—

15 (1) in section 204(b) (42 U.S.C. 5134(b)), by
16 striking “Director” and inserting “Administrator”;

17 (2) in section 303(b) (42 U.S.C. 5144(b)), by
18 striking “Director” each place it appears and insert-
19 ing “Administrator”;

20 (3) in section 326(c)(3) (42 U.S.C.
21 5165d(c)(3)), by striking “Director” and inserting
22 “Administrator”;

23 (4) in section 404(b) (42 U.S.C. 5170c(b)), by
24 striking “Director” each place it appears and insert-
25 ing “Administrator”;

1 (5) in section 406 (42 U.S.C. 5172), by striking
2 “Director” each place it appears and inserting “Ad-
3 ministrator”;

4 (6) in section 602(a) (42 U.S.C. 5195a(a))—

5 (A) in paragraph (4), by striking “Direc-
6 tor” and inserting “Administrator”; and

7 (B) by striking paragraph (7) and insert-
8 ing the following:

9 “(7) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term ‘Adminis-
10 trator’ means the Administrator of the Federal
11 Emergency Management Agency.”;

12 (7) in sections 603 through 613 (42 U.S.C.
13 5195b et seq.), by striking “Director” each place it
14 appears and inserting “Administrator”;

15 (8) in sections 616 and 621 (42 U.S.C. 5196f
16 and 5197), by striking “Director” each place it ap-
17 pears and inserting “Administrator”;

18 (9) in section 622 (42 U.S.C. 5197a)—

19 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “Direc-
20 tor” each place it appears and inserting “Ad-
21 ministrator”;

22 (B) in subsection (b), by striking “Direc-
23 tor” and inserting “Administrator”; and

24 (C) in subsection (c)—

1 (i) by striking “Director” the first
2 place it appears and inserting “Adminis-
3 trator”; and

4 (ii) by striking “Director of the Fed-
5 eral Emergency Management Agency”
6 each place it appears and inserting “Ad-
7 ministrator”;

8 (10) in sections 623 and 624 (42 U.S.C. 5197b
9 and 5197c), by striking “Director” each place it ap-
10 pears and inserting “Administrator”; and

11 (11) in section 629 (42 U.S.C. 5197h), by
12 striking “Director” each place it appears and insert-
13 ing “Administrator”.

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