

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3668

AN ACT

To provide the Secretary of Education with waiver authority for students who are eligible for Federal student grant assistance who are adversely affected by a major disaster.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Student Grant Hurri-
3 cane and Disaster Relief Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. WAIVERS OF STUDENT GRANT ASSISTANCE REPAY-**
5 **MENT BY STUDENTS AFFECTED BY DISAS-**
6 **TERS.**

7 Section 484B(b)(2) of the Higher Education Act of
8 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1091b(b)(2)) is amended by adding at
9 the end the following new subparagraph:

10 “(E) WAIVERS OF GRANT ASSISTANCE RE-
11 PAYMENT BY STUDENTS AFFECTED BY DISAS-
12 TERS.—In addition to the waivers authorized by
13 subparagraph (D), the Secretary may waive the
14 amounts that students are required to return
15 under this section with respect to any other
16 grant assistance under this title if the with-
17 drawals on which the returns are based are
18 withdrawals by students—

19 “(i) who were residing in, employed
20 in, or attending an institution of higher
21 education that is located in an area in
22 which the President has declared that a
23 major disaster exists, in accordance with
24 section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Dis-
25 aster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act
26 (42 U.S.C. 5170);

1 “(ii) whose attendance was inter-
2 rupted because of the impact of the dis-
3 aster on the student or the institution; and

4 “(iii) whose withdrawal ended within
5 the academic year during which the des-
6 ignation occurred or during the next suc-
7 ceeding academic year.”.

Passed the House of Representatives September 8,
2005.

Attest:

Clerk.

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