

***In the Senate of the United States,***

*August 3, 2006.*

*Resolved*, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 3858) entitled “An Act to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to ensure that State and local emergency preparedness operational plans address the needs of individuals with household pets and service animals following a major disaster or emergency.”, do pass with the following

**AMENDMENT:**

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

1 ***SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.***

2 *This Act may be cited as the “Pets Evacuation and*

3 *Transportation Standards Act of 2006”.*

1 **SEC. 2. STANDARDS FOR STATE AND LOCAL EMERGENCY**  
 2 **PREPAREDNESS OPERATIONAL PLANS.**

3 *Section 613 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief*  
 4 *and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196b) is*  
 5 *amended—*

6 *(1) by redesignating subsection (g) as subsection*  
 7 *(h); and*

8 *(2) by inserting after subsection (f) the following:*

9 *“(g) STANDARDS FOR STATE AND LOCAL EMERGENCY*  
 10 *PREPAREDNESS OPERATIONAL PLANS.—In approving*  
 11 *standards for State and local emergency preparedness oper-*  
 12 *ational plans pursuant to subsection (b)(3), the Director*  
 13 *shall ensure that such plans take into account the needs of*  
 14 *individuals with household pets and service animals prior*  
 15 *to, during, and following a major disaster or emergency.”.*

16 **SEC. 3. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MEASURES OF THE DI-**  
 17 **RECTOR.**

18 *Section 611 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief*  
 19 *and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196) is*  
 20 *amended—*

21 *(1) in subsection (e)—*

22 *(A) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at*  
 23 *the end;*

24 *(B) in paragraph (3), by striking the period*  
 25 *and inserting “; and”; and*

26 *(C) by adding at the end the following:*

1           “(4) plans that take into account the needs of in-  
2           dividuals with pets and service animals prior to, dur-  
3           ing, and following a major disaster or emergency.”;  
4           and

5           (2) in subsection (j)—

6           (A) by redesignating paragraphs (2)  
7           through (8) as paragraphs (3) through (9), re-  
8           spectively; and

9           (B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-  
10          lowing:

11          “(2) The Director may make financial contribu-  
12          tions, on the basis of programs or projects approved  
13          by the Director, to the States and local authorities for  
14          animal emergency preparedness purposes, including  
15          the procurement, construction, leasing, or renovating  
16          of emergency shelter facilities and materials that will  
17          accommodate people with pets and service animals.”.

18 **SEC. 4. PROVIDING ESSENTIAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIVID-**  
19 **UALS WITH HOUSEHOLD PETS AND SERVICE**  
20 **ANIMALS FOLLOWING A DISASTER.**

21          Section 403(a)(3) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster  
22          Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.  
23          5170b(a)(3)) is amended—

24          (1) in subparagraph (H), by striking “and” at  
25          the end;

1           (2) *in subparagraph (I), by striking the period*  
2           *and inserting “; and”; and*

3           (3) *by adding at the end the following:*

4                   “(J) *provision of rescue, care, shelter, and*  
5           *essential needs—*

6                           “(i) *to individuals with household pets*  
7                   *and service animals; and*

8                           “(ii) *to such pets and animals.”.*

Attest:

*Secretary.*

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**H. R. 3858**

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**AMENDMENT**