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110TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 2775

[Report No. 110-322]

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize funding for emergency management performance grants, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 19, 2007

Mr. OBERSTAR (for himself and Ms. NORTON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

SEPTEMBER 10, 2007

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE**
2 **GRANTS.**

3 Subtitle B of title VI of the Robert T. Stafford Dis-
4 aster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.
5 5197 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing:

7 **“SEC. 630. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE**
8 **GRANTS.**

9 “(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Administrator of the Fed-
10 eral Emergency Management Agency shall continue imple-
11 mentation of an emergency management performance
12 grants program (in this section referred to as the ‘pro-
13 gram’) to carry out the provisions of this title and section
14 201.

15 “(b) **FEDERAL SHARE.**—Except as otherwise specifi-
16 cally provided by this Act, the Federal share of the cost
17 of an activity carried out using funds made available under
18 the program shall not exceed 50 percent.

19 “(c) **APPORTIONMENT.**—For fiscal year 2009, and
20 each fiscal year thereafter, the Administrator shall appor-
21 tion the amounts appropriated to carry out the program
22 among the States as follows:

23 “(1) **BASELINE AMOUNT.**—The Administrator
24 shall first apportion 0.25 percent of such amounts to
25 each of American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the
26 Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the Virgin Is-

1 lands and 0.75 of such amount to each of the re-
2 maining States.

3 ~~“(2) REMAINDER.—The Administrator shall ap-
4 portion the remainder of such amounts in the ratio
5 that—~~

6 ~~“(A) the population of each State; bears to~~

7 ~~“(B) the population of all States.~~

8 ~~“(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
9 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out the program
10 \$400,000,000 for fiscal year 2009, \$450,000,000 for fis-
11 cal year 2010, and \$500,000,000 for fiscal year 2011.
12 Such sums shall remain available until expended.”.~~

13 **SEC. 2. CONSTRUCTION OF EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CEN-**
14 **TERS.**

15 Section 614 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief
16 and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196e) is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 **“SEC. 614. CONSTRUCTION OF EMERGENCY OPERATIONS**
19 **CENTERS.**

20 ~~“(a) GRANTS.—The Administrator of the Federal
21 Emergency Management Agency may make grants to
22 States under this title for equipping, upgrading, and con-
23 structing emergency operations centers.~~

24 ~~“(b) FEDERAL SHARE.—Notwithstanding any other
25 provision of this title, the Federal share of the cost of an~~

1 activity carried out using amounts from grants made
2 under this section shall not exceed 75 percent.”.

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14 *carry out the provisions of this title and section 201.*

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21 *amounts appropriated to carry out the program among the*
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3 *maining States.*

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5 *portion the remainder of such amounts in the ratio*
6 *that—*

7 “(A) *the population of each State; bears to*

8 “(B) *the population of all States.*

9 “(d) *MINIMUM APPORTIONMENT.*—*If the total amount*
10 *appropriated to carry out the program for a fiscal year*
11 *equals or exceeds \$200,000,000, no State shall receive an*
12 *apportionment under subsection (c) for the fiscal year that*
13 *is less than the amount that the State received in emergency*
14 *management performance grants for fiscal year 2007.*

15 “(e) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.*—*There is*
16 *authorized to be appropriated to carry out the program*
17 *\$450,000,000 for fiscal year 2009, \$500,000,000 for fiscal*
18 *year 2010, and \$550,000,000 for fiscal year 2011. Such*
19 *sums shall remain available until expended.”.*

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4 *Emergency Management Agency may make grants to States*
5 *under this title for equipping, upgrading, and constructing*
6 *State and local emergency operations centers.*

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8 *provision of this title, the Federal share of the cost of an*
9 *activity carried out using amounts from grants made under*
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