

104<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 1413

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 5, 1995

Mr. PETERSON of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## 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. LIMITATION ON ELIGIBILITY FOR MAJOR DIS-**  
4       **ASTER AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE.**

5       Title III of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief  
6       and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5141–5164) is  
7       amended by adding at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 322. LIMITATION ON ELIGIBILITY FOR ASSISTANCE.**

2       “(a) IN GENERAL.—A State shall not be eligible for  
3 assistance under this Act, other than essential assistance  
4 under section 402, if—

5           “(1) the State has received a loan or advance  
6 under section 319 and the State is not in compliance  
7 with the repayment terms of such loan or advance;  
8 and

9           “(2) the State has enacted, in the 2-year period  
10 preceding the date of application for such assistance,  
11 laws that have reduced or are likely to reduce annual  
12 tax revenues received by the State by 1 percent or  
13 more.

14       “(b) REGULATIONS.—The President shall issue regu-  
15 lations to carry out this section.

16       “(c) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall not preclude  
17 a State from receiving assistance under this Act for a  
18 major disaster or emergency occurring before the date of  
19 the enactment of this Act.”.

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