

HR 3672

TANF Emergency Response and Recovery Act of 2005

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Rep. Boustany, Charles W., Jr. [R-LA-7]	R · LA		Sep 8, 2005
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Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Sep 8, 2005
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 7, 2005
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 7, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Sep 21, 2005)

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the House on September 8, 2005. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

TANF Emergency Response and Recovery Act of 2005 - (Sec. 2) Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to pay each state family assistance grant payable for the first quarter of FY2006, as soon as practicable after the enactment of this Act.

Provides that activities authorized by part A (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) (TANF) of title IV of the Social Security Act shall continue through December 31, 2005, in the manner authorized for FY2005. Makes necessary appropriations for such purpose. Provides that grants and payments may be made pursuant to this authority through the first quarter of FY2006 at the same level as provided through the first quarter of 2005. Extends the National Random Sample Study of Child Welfare and Child Welfare Waiver Authority through December 31, 2005.

(Sec. 3) Provides that, between the enactment of this Act and August 31, 2006, a state shall be considered a needy state for purposes of the TANF Contingency Fund for State Welfare Programs if: (1) cash benefits under the state TANF program have been provided on a short-term, nonrecurring basis to a family which has resided in another state that includes an area for which a major disaster has been declared as a result of Hurricane Katrina, and has traveled (not necessarily directly) to the state from such other state as a result of the hurricane; and (2) the state has determined that the family is not receiving cash benefits from any program funded under part A of any other state. Declares that no state match is required for such state payments.

(Sec. 4) Provides that between the enactment of this Act and the end of FY2006: (1) the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama shall be considered eligible for federal loans for State Welfare Programs; and (2) the cumulative dollar amount of all loans made to such a state by reason of this Act shall not exceed 20% of the state family assistance grant payable to the state for FY2006. Prohibits the imposition of a penalty against Louisiana, Mississippi, or Alabama for failure to repay such a loan or make any interest payment on it.

(Sec. 5) Authorizes a state or tribe to use a grant made under the TANF program for any fiscal year to provide, without fiscal year limitation, any benefit or service that may be provided under the state or tribal TANF program to support needy families affected by Hurricane Katrina.

(Sec. 6) Declares that benefits provided on a short-term, nonrecurring basis under a state TANF program, between the enactment of this Act and the end of FY2006, to meet a subsistence need of a family resulting from Hurricane Katrina shall not be considered assistance for purposes of mandatory work requirements and the five-year limit on assistance.

(Sec. 7) Prohibits the Secretary from imposing a penalty on Louisiana, Mississippi, or Alabama for failure to comply with any provision of the TANF program between the enactment of this Act and the end of FY2006, if the failure resulted from Hurricane Katrina or reasonable conduct of the state in addressing needs of Hurricane Katrina victims.

(Sec. 8) Designates each amount provided in this Act (other than in Sec. 2) as an emergency requirement exempt from the budget enforcement requirements of H.Con. Res. 95 (109th Congress).

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 21, 2005:** Signed by President.
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- **Sep 21, 2005:** Became Public Law No: 109-68.
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- **Sep 19, 2005:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 19, 2005:** Presented to President.
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- **Sep 16, 2005:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 15, 2005:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S10149-10150)
- **Sep 15, 2005:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S10149-10150)
- **Sep 15, 2005:** Cleared for White House.
- **Sep 8, 2005:** Mr. Thomas moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 8, 2005:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7766-7773)
- **Sep 8, 2005:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3672.
- **Sep 8, 2005:** DEBATE - The House resumed debate on H.R. 3672.
- **Sep 8, 2005:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H7766-7767)
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- **Sep 8, 2005:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 8, 2005:** Received in the Senate, read twice.
- **Sep 7, 2005:** Introduced in House
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- **Sep 7, 2005:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
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