

HR 3895

Rural Housing Hurricane Relief Act of 2005

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Housing and Community Development

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Baker, Richard H. [R-LA-6]

Party: Republican • **State:** LA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Alexander, Rodney [R-LA-5]	R · LA		Sep 26, 2005
Rep. Boustany, Charles W., Jr. [R-LA-7]	R · LA		Sep 26, 2005
Rep. Jefferson, William J. [D-LA-2]	D · LA		Sep 26, 2005
Rep. Jindal, Bobby [R-LA-1]	R · LA		Sep 26, 2005
Rep. McCrery, Jim [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Sep 29, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 25, 2005
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 4, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Housing and Community Development

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Rural Housing Hurricane Relief Act of 2005 - Amends the Housing Act of 1949, in the event of a presidential-declared disaster, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture, with respect to counties designated as disaster areas in connection with Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita, and the counties contiguous to such counties and for any residents of such counties, to: (1) convert rental assistance into housing voucher assistance or rural housing vouchers; and (2) waive rural area requirements.

States that such authority shall last for six months after enactment of this Act.

Authorizes additional appropriations for such assistance.

Authorizes the Secretary, during the six-month period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, to assist low-income families and persons under the rural housing voucher program if: (1) such family or person resided, on August 25, 2005, in any area designated as a disaster or emergency area in connection with Hurricane Katrina, or resided, on September 24, 2005, in any area designated as a disaster or emergency area in connection with Hurricane Rita; and (2) the residence of such family or person became uninhabitable or inaccessible as result of such a disaster or emergency.

Eliminates the rural housing voucher program fiscal year unit limit.

Amends the Doug Bereuter section 502 single family housing loan guarantee program to permit loan and refinancing guarantees for home repair or rehabilitation.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 4, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity.
- **Oct 25, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
- **Oct 6, 2005:** Mr. Baker moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Oct 6, 2005:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H8668-8670)
- **Oct 6, 2005:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3895.
- **Oct 6, 2005:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Oct 6, 2005:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H8706-8707)
- **Oct 6, 2005:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 335 - 81 (Roll no. 513).(text: CR H8668-8669)
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- **Oct 6, 2005:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 6, 2005:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 6, 2005:** Received in the Senate.
- **Sep 26, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 26, 2005:** Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

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