

S 939

Debris Removal Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Emergency Management

Introduced: Apr 28, 2005

Current Status: By Senator Collins from Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs filed written report

Latest Action: By Senator Collins from Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs filed written report under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/04/2006. Report No. 109-320. (Aug 30, 2006)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Apr 28, 2005
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Oct 26, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Sep 27, 2005
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 28, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 4163	Related bill	Oct 28, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.
109 HR 1870	Related bill	Apr 28, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

Debris Removal Act of 2005 - (Sec. 2) Requires the Secretary of Homeland Security, acting through the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, to pay an eligible disaster relief applicant 50% of the federal share of assistance for which the applicant is eligible under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, within 60 days after the applicant files a claim for such assistance.

(Sec. 3) Authorizes reimbursement for clearing and removing debris to include reimbursement for clearing, removing, and disposing of debris from any emergency access road.

(Sec. 4) Authorizes federal assistance for removing debris and wreckage resulting from a major disaster from owner-occupied private residential property, utilities, and residential infrastructure (such as a private access route) as necessary for a safe and sanitary living or functioning condition.

(Sec. 5) Provides that, for at least 180 days after the declaration of an emergency or major disaster between August 25, 2005, and December 31, 2005, the federal share of assistance provided to eligible applicants for debris removal shall be 100%.

(Sec. 6) Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide clear, concise, and uniform guidelines for the reimbursement to any county or government entity affected by a hurricane of the cost of hurricane debris removal.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 30, 2006:** By Senator Collins from Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs filed written report under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/04/2006. Report No. 109-320.
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- **Oct 28, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.
- **Oct 27, 2005:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S12024-12026; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S12024)
- **Oct 27, 2005:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Unanimous Consent.(text as passed Senate: CR S12025-12026)
- **Oct 27, 2005:** Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Unanimous Consent. (text as passed Senate: CR S12025-12026)
- **Oct 27, 2005:** Received in the House.
- **Oct 27, 2005:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Oct 27, 2005:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.
- **Sep 27, 2005:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Collins with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Sep 27, 2005:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Collins with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Sep 27, 2005:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 225.
- **Sep 22, 2005:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Apr 28, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 28, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.