

## S 2445

### SMART RESPONSE Act

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** CT • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported Original Measure	Dec 11, 2007

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Emergency Management

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Streamlining Mitigation Actions and Recovery Tools and Regional Evacuation and Sheltering Planning of Overarching Networks for Severe Emergencies Act or the SMART RESPONSE Act - Prohibits the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) from prohibiting or restricting the use by Louisiana under its Road Home Program of specified funds designated for that state under FEMA's hazard mitigation grant program for damage caused by Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita based upon: (1) any Program requirement that limits the amount made available to an eligible homeowner who does not agree to remain an owner and occupant of a home in Louisiana or that waives the applicability of such limitation for homeowners who are elderly or senior citizens; or (2) the fact that an applicant for Program assistance commenced construction on a structure otherwise eligible for hazard mitigation assistance under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act without the Administrator's approval.

Requires the President to waive requirements under the hazard mitigation grant program that a project be cost-effective and substantially reduce the risk of future damage, hardship, loss, or suffering resulting from a major disaster or specify alternative requirements if a state requests such waiver to facilitate the timely use of funds. Specifies exceptions.

Directs the Administrator to: (1) submit to Congress and implement regional evacuation and sheltering plans; (2) develop a national database inventorying available shelters; (3) conduct an analysis of evacuating versus sheltering individuals with special needs; (4) provide technical assistance to states and local governments; and (5) share Department of Transportation (DOT) information with state, local, regional, and tribal governments on evacuation statistics and monitoring.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Dec 11, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Dec 11, 2007:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Original measure reported to Senate by Senator Lieberman. With written report No. 110-240.
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