

## HR 638

### Disaster Assistance Fairness and Accountability Act of 2015

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Emergency Management

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**Latest Action:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H843-844) (Feb 5, 2015)

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## Sponsor

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Rep. Thornberry, Mac [R-TX-13]	R · TX		Feb 5, 2015
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Rep. Curbelo, Carlos [R-FL-26]	R · FL		Mar 16, 2015
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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 3, 2015

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Emergency Management

## Related Bills

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Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 634	Related bill	Mar 3, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## Summary (as of Feb 2, 2015)

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### Disaster Assistance Fairness and Accountability Act of 2015

Prohibits the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) from taking any actions to recoup from a recipient assistance provided in relation to a major disaster declared by the President on or after January 1, 2012, if: (1) the recipient's application was made in good faith and provided accurate information and the receipt of such assistance could reasonably have been expected by the recipient, or (2) the receipt of such assistance occurred more than three years before FEMA first notifies the recipient of FEMA's intent to recoup.

Requires FEMA, in carrying out a recoupment of disaster assistance that is not prohibited under this Act, to provide documentation that demonstrates that the recipient did not apply in good faith with accurate information or could not reasonably have expected to receive such assistance.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Feb 5, 2015:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H843-844)
- **Feb 3, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.
- **Feb 2, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 2, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.