

## HR 5298

### Disaster Assistance Equity Act of 2021

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Emergency Management

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management. (Sep 21, 2021)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (11 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Garbarino, Andrew R. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Rouzer, David [R-NC-7]	R · NC		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Zeldin, Lee M. [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Sep 28, 2021
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-8]	D · PA		Feb 2, 2022
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Feb 2, 2022
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Nov 3, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 21, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Emergency Management

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Disaster Assistance Equity Act of 2021**

This bill makes common interest communities, such as housing cooperatives (co-ops) and condominiums, eligible for the same assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as other homeowners.

Specifically, the bill

- adds definitions of *residential common interest community, condominium, and housing cooperative* to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act;
- requires FEMA to issue rules for the removal of debris or wreckage from real estate owned by a residential common interest community resulting from a major disaster and deems such removal to be in the public interest when a state or local government determines in writing that such debris or wreckage constitutes a threat to life, public health or safety, or the economic recovery of such community; and
- provides for the repair of essential common elements of a condominium or co-op damaged by a disaster under FEMA's Federal Assistance to Individuals and Households Program.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 21, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
- **Sep 20, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 20, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.