

114TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 3750

To waive the passport fees for first responders proceeding abroad to aid
a foreign country suffering from a natural disaster.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 9, 2015

Mr. ISSA (for himself, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mrs. COMSTOCK, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. MARINO, and Mr. LOWENTHAL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

To waive the passport fees for first responders proceeding
abroad to aid a foreign country suffering from a natural
disaster.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “First Responders Pass-
5 port Act of 2015”.

6 **SEC. 2. PERSONS EXCUSED FROM PAYMENT OF FEES FOR**
7 **EXECUTION AND ISSUANCE OF PASSPORTS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 1 of the
9 Passport Act of June 4, 1920 (22 U.S.C. 214), is amend-

1 ed, in the third sentence, by inserting after “to attend a
2 funeral or memorial service for such member;” the fol-
3 lowing: “from an individual who has contracted with the
4 United States Government, including a volunteer, who is
5 proceeding abroad to aid a foreign country suffering from
6 a qualifying natural disaster as authorized by the Sec-
7 retary;”.

8 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the end
9 of the first full fiscal year after the date of the enactment
10 of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the
11 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representa-
12 tives and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-
13 ate a report on the number of waivers of fees for the exe-
14 cution and issuance of passports to first responders under
15 section 1 of the Act of June 4, 1920, as amended by sub-
16 section (a) of this section, for such fiscal year.

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