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## S. 1288

[Report No. 111-103]

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#### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

June 18, 2009

Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. BURRIS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

**DECEMBER 9, 2009** 

Reported by Mr. LIEBERMAN, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

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- 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 "Emergency Manage-
- 5 ment Assistance Compact Reauthorization Act of 2009".

#### SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

2 .	Congress	finds	the	following:
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- (1) The Emergency Management Assistance Compact consented to by the Joint Resolution entitled "Joint Resolution granting the consent of Congress to the Emergency Management Assistance Compact" (Public Law 104–321; 110 Stat. 3877) is the only congressionally chartered mutual aid agreement among States that provides for assistance after emergencies and major disasters.
  - (2) The Emergency Management Assistance Compact was highlighted as a best practice in the major after-action reports relating to Hurricane Katrina of 2005.
  - (3) The Emergency Management Assistance Compact enables States to assist each other during emergencies and major disasters swiftly with specific assets and personnel.
  - (4) By identifying, training, and exercising resources and personnel before an emergency or major disaster, the Emergency Management Assistance Compact saves taxpayer money by reducing redundancy and increasing self-sufficiency at the State level.
- 25 (5) The Emergency Management Assistance
  26 Compact is the mechanism used by States to deploy

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individuals from the various emergency disciplines
when an emergency or major disaster occurs and a
State affected by the major disaster or emergency
requests assistance.

(6) Investment in the Emergency Management Assistance Compact ensures a stable and agile mutual aid program to address all-hazards disasters.

(7) The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–295; 120) Stat. 1394) authorized funding for grants to the administrators of the Emergency Management Assistance Compact, the Final Report of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States (commonly known as the "9/11 Commission Report") called for mutual aid enhancement, and the report of the Government Accountability Office entitled "Emergency Management Assistance Compact: Enhancing EMAC's Collaborative and Administrative Capacity Should Improve National Disaster Response", dated June 29, 2007, recommended that the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency identify ways to build the administrative capacity of the Emergency Management Assistance Compact network.

1	SEC. 3. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT
2	GRANTS.
3	(a) Uses.—Section 661(b) of the Post-Katrina
4	Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (6 U.S.C.
5	761(b)) is amended—
6	(1) in paragraph (4), by striking "and" at the
7	end;
8	(2) in paragraph (5), by striking the period at
9	the end and inserting a semicolon; and
10	(3) by adding at the end the following:
11	"(6) to educate emergency response providers
12	by offering training materials and courses relating to
13	the Emergency Management Assistance Compact;
14	"(7) to conduct exercises regarding deployments
15	under the Emergency Management Assistance Com-
16	pact and related procedures;
17	"(8) to establish a system for tracking re-
18	sources deployed under the Emergency Management
19	Assistance Compact; and
20	"(9) to conduct after-action assessments, pre-
21	pare reports, and carry out recommendations in re-
22	sponse to large-scale activations, as determined ap-
23	propriate by the administrators of the Emergency
24	Management Assistance Compact.".
25	(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
26	661(d) of the Post-Katrina Emergency Management Re-

- 1 form Act of 2006 (6 U.S.C. 761(d)) is amended by strik-
- 2 ing "fiscal year 2008" and inserting "each of fiscal years
- 3 2010 through 2012".
- 4 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 5 This Act may be cited as the "Emergency Management
- 6 Assistance Compact Grant Reauthorization Act of 2009".
- 7 SEC. 2. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT
- 8 GRANTS.
- 9 Section 661(d) of the Post-Katrina Emergency Man-
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