

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1819

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to provide eligibility for public broadcasting facilities to receive certain disaster assistance, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 12 (legislative day, DECEMBER 11), 2013

Mr. BEGICH introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

A BILL

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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 Informa-
5 tion Improvement Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY OF PUBLIC BROADCASTING FACILI-**
2 **TIES FOR CERTAIN DISASTER ASSISTANCE.**

3 (a) PRIVATE NONPROFIT FACILITY DEFINED.—Sec-
4 tion 102(11)(B) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief
5 and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122(11)(B))
6 is amended by inserting “public broadcasting facilities,”
7 after “workshops,”.

8 (b) CRITICAL SERVICES DEFINED.—Section
9 406(a)(3)(B) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief
10 and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5172(a)(3)(B))
11 is amended by striking “communications,” and inserting
12 “communications (including broadcast and telecommuni-
13 cations),”.

14 (c) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by this
15 section shall apply to a major disaster declared by the
16 President under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief
17 and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.)
18 on or after October 28, 2012.

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