

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—118th Cong., 2d Sess.

S. 3648

To amend the Post-Katrina Management Reform Act of 2006 to repeal certain obsolete requirements, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended
to be proposed by Mr. PETERS

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-
2 lowing:

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Helping Eliminate
5 Limitations for Prompt Response and Recovery Act” or
6 the “HELP Response and Recovery Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF OBSOLETE DHS CONTRACTING RE-**
8 **QUIREMENTS.**

9 The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform
10 Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–225; 120 Stat. 1394) is
11 amended by striking section 695 (6 U.S.C. 794).

1 **SEC. 3. REPORTS.**

2 (a) COVERED PERIOD DEFINED.—In this section, the
3 term “covered period” means—

4 (1) with respect to an initial report required
5 under subsection (b), the period between the date of
6 enactment of this Act and the date of the report;
7 and

8 (2) with respect to any succeeding report re-
9 quired under subsection (b), the period between the
10 date of the most recent report and the succeeding
11 report.

12 (b) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 540 days after
13 the date of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter
14 until the date that is 5 years thereafter, the Secretary of
15 Homeland Security shall submit to the Committee on
16 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-
17 ate and the Committee on Homeland Security of the
18 House of Representatives a report that—

19 (1) reviews how the repeal under section 2
20 has—

21 (A) prevented waste, fraud, and abuse; and

22 (B) promoted taxpayer savings; and

23 (2) includes, with respect to a contract entered
24 into or extended by the Administrator of the Federal
25 Emergency Management Agency under urgent and

1 compelling circumstances during the covered period
2 for which the Administrator did not solicit bids—

3 (A) the number of those contracts;

4 (B) the subject of each contract;

5 (C) the amounts obligated by the Adminis-
6 trator for each contract;

7 (D) if applicable, the State benefitted by
8 each contract; and

9 (E) if applicable, the name of the major
10 disaster or emergency for which each contract
11 was entered into or extended.