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# S. 2218

To reauthorize the United States Fire Administration, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 21, 2012

Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CARPER, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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## A BILL

To reauthorize the United States Fire Administration, and  
for other purposes.

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 “United States Fire  
5 Administration Reauthorization Act of 2012”.

1 **SEC. 2. CLARIFICATION OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN**  
2 **UNITED STATES FIRE ADMINISTRATION AND**  
3 **FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGEN-**  
4 **CY.**

5 (a) MODIFICATION OF PURPOSE OF FEDERAL FIRE  
6 PREVENTION AND CONTROL ACT OF 1974.—Section 3(3)  
7 of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974  
8 (15 U.S.C. 2202(3)) is amended by striking “within the  
9 Department of Commerce” and inserting “within the Fed-  
10 eral Emergency Management Agency”.

11 (b) ESTABLISHMENT OF FIRE ADMINISTRATION  
12 WITHIN FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGEN-  
13 CY.—Subsection (a) of section 5 of such Act (15 U.S.C.  
14 2204) is amended by striking “Department of Commerce”  
15 and inserting “Federal Emergency Management Agency”.

16 (c) DISCRETIONARY APPOINTMENT OF A DEPUTY  
17 ADMINISTRATOR.—Such section is further amended by  
18 amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

19 “(c) DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR.—The Administrator  
20 may appoint a Deputy Administrator, who shall—

21 “(1) perform such functions as the Adminis-  
22 trator shall from time to time assign or delegate;  
23 and

24 “(2) act as Administrator during the absence or  
25 disability of the Administrator or in the event of a  
26 vacancy in the office of Administrator.”.

1 **SEC. 3. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY OF ADMINISTRATOR**  
2 **OF UNITED STATES FIRE ADMINISTRATION**  
3 **TO EDUCATE PUBLIC ABOUT FIRE AND FIRE**  
4 **PREVENTION.**

5 Section 6 of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control  
6 Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2205) is amended by striking “to  
7 take all steps” and all that follows through “fire and fire  
8 prevention” and inserting “to take such steps as the Ad-  
9 ministrator considers appropriate to educate the public  
10 and overcome public indifference as to fire, fire prevention,  
11 and individual preparedness.”.

12 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR UNITED**  
13 **STATES FIRE ADMINISTRATION.**

14 Section 17(g)(1) of the Federal Fire Prevention and  
15 Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2216(g)(1)) is amended—

16 (1) in subparagraph (G), by striking “and” at  
17 the end;

18 (2) in subparagraph (H), by striking the period  
19 at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

20 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (H) the fol-  
21 lowing:

22 “(I) \$76,490,890 for fiscal year 2013;

23 “(J) \$76,490,890 for fiscal year 2014;

24 “(K) \$76,490,890 for fiscal year 2015;

25 “(L) \$76,490,890 for fiscal year 2016; and

26 “(M) \$76,490,890 for fiscal year 2017.”.

1 **SEC. 5. AMENDMENT TO DEFINITION REGARDING ADMINIS-**  
2 **TRATOR OF FEMA.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4 of the Federal Fire Pre-  
4 vention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2203) is  
5 amended in paragraph (4), by striking “ ‘Director’ means”  
6 and all that follows through “Agency;” and inserting  
7 “ ‘Administrator of FEMA’ means the Administrator of  
8 the Federal Emergency Management Agency;”.

9 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

10 (1) ADMINISTRATOR OF FEMA.—The Federal  
11 Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C.  
12 2201 et seq.) is amended by striking “Director”  
13 each place it appears and inserting “Administrator  
14 of FEMA”.

15 (2) ADMINISTRATOR OF FEMA’S AWARD.—Sec-  
16 tion 15 of such Act (15 U.S.C. 2214) is amended by  
17 striking “Director’s Award” each place it appears  
18 and inserting “Administrator’s Award”.

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