

Public Law 96-109
96th Congress

An Act

Nov. 9, 1979
[H.R. 5218]

To amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to authorize special Caribbean hurricane relief assistance.

Caribbean
hurricane relief
assistance,
authorization.
22 USC 2292 *et*
seq.
22 USC 2292m.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapter 9 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"SEC. 495G. SPECIAL CARIBBEAN HURRICANE RELIEF ASSISTANCE.— The President is authorized to furnish assistance, on such terms and conditions as he may determine, for disaster relief and reconstruction in the Caribbean to assist in alleviating the human suffering caused by recent hurricanes in that region. In addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes, there is authorized to be appropriated for purposes of this section \$25,000,000 for the fiscal year 1980, which amount is authorized to remain available until expended. Assistance under this section shall be provided in accordance with the policies and general authorities contained in section 491."

22 USC 2292.

SEC. 2. Priority shall be given to furnishing agricultural commodities under the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 to countries in the Caribbean in order to assist in alleviating the human suffering caused by the recent hurricanes in that region.

7 USC 1691 note.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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