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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. STEUBE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Foreign 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 “Securing Taxpayer As-
5 sistance during Natural Disasters Act” or the “STAND
6 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. WITHHOLDING OF BILATERAL, MULTILATERAL,**
2 **AND HUMANITARIAN NON-DEFENSE FOREIGN**
3 **ASSISTANCE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—No Federal funds may be obli-
5 gated or expended by the Department of State or the
6 United States Agency for International Development for
7 bilateral, multilateral, or humanitarian non-defense for-
8 eign assistance within 60 days of the date on which a dis-
9 aster has occurred and with respect to which of the Presi-
10 dent has declared a disaster under the Robert T. Stafford
11 Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.
12 5121 et seq.).

13 (b) WAIVER.—The prohibition under subsection (a)
14 may be waived in accordance with the provisions of a joint
15 resolution providing for such waiver that is enacted into
16 law after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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