

Assembly Bill No. 2

CHAPTER 4

An act to amend Section 8686 of the Government Code, relating to disaster relief, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2, Strom-Martin. Disaster relief.

(1) Under the Natural Disaster Assistance Act, the state share for any eligible project is limited to no more than 75% of total state eligible costs except for certain occurrences for which the state share may be 100% of total state eligible costs.

This bill would add to those occurrences for which the state share may be 100% of total state eligible costs, the storms that occurred in California in December of 1996 and early January of 1997.

(2) This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 8686 of the Government Code is amended to read:

8686. (a) For any eligible project, the state share shall amount to no more than 75 percent of total state eligible costs.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the state share shall be up to 100 percent of total state eligible costs connected with the following events:

(1) The October 17, 1989, Loma Prieta earthquake.

(2) The October 20, 1991, East Bay fire.

(3) The fires that occurred in southern California from October 1, 1993, to November 30, 1993, inclusive.

(4) The January 17, 1994, Northridge earthquake.

(5) (A) Storms that occurred in California during the periods commencing January 3, 1995, and February 13, 1995, as specified in agreements between this state and the United States for federal financial assistance.

(B) The state shall only assume an increased share pursuant to this paragraph in those cases where the Federal Emergency Management Administration has approved the federal share of costs.



(6) The storms that occurred in California in December of 1996 and early January of 1997, as specified in agreements between this state and the United States for federal financial assistance.

(c) The state shall make no allocation for any project application resulting in a state share of less than two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) under this section.

SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to provide essential relief to those persons and jurisdictions that have suffered damage or loss as a result of the floods that occurred in California during 1996 and 1997, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

