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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1227
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Page 4, line 5, before “Notwithstanding” insert “(a)
IN GENERAL.—”.

Page 4, after line 16, insert the following new sub-
section:

1 (b) EFFICIENT ENVIRONMENT REVIEW.—Notwith-
2 standing any other provision of law, when a State, unit
3 of general local government, or Indian tribe, or Depart-
4 ment of Hawaiian Home Lands uses amounts referred to
5 in subsection (a), the release of which would otherwise be
6 subject to environmental reviews under the procedures au-
7 thorized under section 104(g) of the Housing and Commu-
8 nity Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5304(g)), to
9 match or supplement the federal assistance provided under
10 sections 402, 403, 406, 407, or 502 of Robert T. Stafford
11 Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, and the
12 Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency
13 conducts an environmental review that encompasses all ac-
14 tivities assisted by such matching funds, the Director’s en-
15 vironmental review shall satisfy all of the environmental

1 responsibilities that would otherwise be assumed by the
2 State, unit of general local government, Indian tribe, or
3 Department of Hawaiian Home Lands under such section
4 104(g), and the requirements and procedures of such pro-
5 vision, including assumption of environmental review re-
6 sponsibilities and submission and approval of a request for
7 release of funds and certification, shall be inapplicable, if,
8 prior to its commitment of any matching funds for such
9 activities, the State, unit of general local government, In-
10 dian tribe, or Department of Hawaiian Home Lands noti-
11 fies the Director and the Secretary of Housing and Urban
12 Development that it elects to defer to the Director's envi-
13 ronmental review responsibilities. If a deferral is elected
14 under this subsection, the Director shall be the responsible
15 party for any liability under the applicable law if the envi-
16 ronmental review as described in the preceding sentence
17 is deficient in any manner.