

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Disaster Relief Act is amended by changing
5 Section 3 as follows:

6 (15 ILCS 30/3) (from Ch. 127, par. 293.3)

7 Sec. 3. Disaster Response and Recovery Fund.

8 (a) Whenever funds regularly appropriated to the State ~~and~~
9 ~~local governmental bodies~~ for disaster response and recovery
10 are insufficient to provide services, and when the Governor has
11 declared a disaster by proclamation in accordance with Section
12 7 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act or any
13 successor Act, the Governor may draw upon the Disaster Response
14 and Recovery Fund in order to provide services or to reimburse
15 local governmental bodies furnishing services. The fund may be
16 used ~~for the payment of emergency employees,~~ for the payment of
17 the Illinois National Guard when called to active duty and ~~7~~
18 for disaster-related expenses of State Agencies and
19 Departments, including ~~and for~~ the emergency purchase or
20 renting of equipment and commodities and payment of emergency
21 employees. The fund shall be used for furnishing emergency
22 services and relief to the disaster area as a whole and shall
23 not be used to provide private relief to persons sustaining

1 property damages or personal injury as a result of a disaster
2 or to finance disaster assistance grants under Section 9.5 of
3 the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act.

4 (b) As soon as practical after the effective date of this
5 amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, the State
6 Comptroller shall direct and the State Treasurer shall transfer
7 \$5,900,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Disaster
8 Response and Recovery Fund to meet the State's cost sharing
9 obligations with the Federal Emergency Management Agency under
10 the federal Assistance to Individuals and Households Program
11 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5174.

12 (Source: P.A. 98-465, eff. 8-16-13; 98-616, eff. 12-31-13.)

13 Section 10. The Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act is
14 amended by adding Section 9.5 as follows:

15 (20 ILCS 3305/9.5 new)

16 Sec. 9.5. Disaster assistance to local governments.

17 (a) The Illinois Emergency Management Agency may provide
18 disaster assistance grants to reimburse disaster response
19 expenses for debris removal and emergency protective measures
20 incurred by (1) a unit of local government as defined in the
21 Illinois Constitution, (2) any school district, or (3) any
22 public community college district, if that entity is located in
23 a county that the Governor has declared a disaster area by
24 proclamation in accordance with Section 7 of this Act. The

1 grants shall be paid out of the Disaster Assistance to Local
2 Governments Fund, which is created as a special fund in the
3 State treasury. Subject to appropriation, moneys in the fund
4 shall be used by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency to
5 (1) finance disaster assistance grants under this Section and
6 (2) finance direct program costs incurred by the Agency in
7 administering this assistance program. The Illinois Emergency
8 Management Agency shall adopt rules specifying grant
9 eligibility requirements and provisions for grant
10 administration.

11 (b) This Section applies only to disasters occurring on or
12 after November 17, 2013.

13 Section 15. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
14 Section 5.855 as follows:

15 (30 ILCS 105/5.855 new)

16 Sec. 5.855. The Disaster Assistance to Local Governments
17 Fund.

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
19 becoming law.