

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
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A Bill

Act 83 of 2003
SENATE BILL 12

5 By: Senator J. Jeffress
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO BROADEN THE LIST OF NATURAL DISASTERS
9 THAT QUALIFY FOR STATE AID FUND RELIEF TO REPAIR
10 DAMAGE TO COUNTY ROADS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

13 TO BROADEN THE LIST OF NATURAL DISASTERS
14 THAT QUALIFY FOR STATE AID FUND RELIEF
15 TO REPAIR DAMAGE TO COUNTY ROADS.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-72-314 is amended to read as follows:
22 27-72-314. Disaster counties.

23 (a)(1) It is the intent and purpose of this section to make available
24 moneys in the State Aid Road Fund to the credit of disaster counties to be
25 used to restore and repair county bridges or roads which are destroyed or
26 which have suffered extensive damage as a result of tornadoes, heavy
27 rainfall, ~~or~~ flooding conditions, or other natural disasters and to provide,
28 together with county funds, the necessary matching moneys required to enable
29 the disaster counties to obtain federal disaster relief funds for such
30 projects.

31 (2) Only counties designated by the appropriate federal or state
32 official as disaster counties for public assistance shall be authorized to
33 use moneys in the State Aid Road Fund under the matching provisions and for
34 the purposes set forth in this section.

35 (3) All other moneys deposited in the State Aid Road Fund shall
36 be used solely on the matching basis and for the purposes set forth in §§ 27-



1 72-301, 27-72-305, 27-72-312, 27-72-313, and 27-72-315.

2 (b)(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 27-72-301, 27-72-305, 27-
3 72-312, 27-72-313, and 27-72-315, a county that has been determined by the
4 appropriate federal or state official as being a disaster county for public
5 assistance due to the tornadoes, excessive rainfall, ~~and~~ flooding conditions,
6 and other natural disasters shall be eligible to receive state aid road funds
7 credited to the account of the disaster county on a ninety percent (90%)
8 state aid road funds to not less than ten percent (10%) county matching fund
9 basis.

10 (2) Funds distributed to a disaster county under the special
11 matching provisions of this subsection shall be used solely for the
12 restoration or repair of county bridges or roads destroyed or which suffered
13 extensive damage as a result of tornadoes, heavy rainfall, ~~or~~ flooding
14 conditions, or other natural disasters, regardless of whether the roads or
15 bridges are a part of the state aid system of county roads.

16 (c) In addition to the uses provided for in subsection (b) of this
17 section, funds distributed to a disaster county under the matching provisions
18 of this section may be used to provide the necessary matching funds required
19 to match federal disaster relief funds available for the restoration or
20 repair of county bridges or roads which are destroyed or extensively damaged
21 as a result of tornadoes, heavy rainfall, ~~or~~ flooding conditions, or other
22 natural disasters, regardless of whether the roads or bridges are a part of
23 the state aid system of county roads.

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