



What is the FEMA Act 2025

The Fixing Emergency Management Act of 2025 is a bipartisan bill that would modernize federal disaster response by making FEMA an independent, cabinet-level agency, speeding up aid delivery that finances recovery for Texas communities after disaster.

Texas depends on FEMA more than almost any other state. Texas ranks second in the nation for disaster declaration. From 2015 to 2024, Texas averaged \$1.4 billion per year in FEMA and HUD disaster relief. That is roughly 1.8% of the entire state budget. (FEMA 2026)



What are our communities saying?

Faith Organizations Supporting the Bill:

Catholic Church Extension Society:

Actively lobbying for FEMA disaster funding reform and direct relief for rural dioceses.

Evangelical Lutheran Church:

ELA Advocacy and Lutheran Disaster Response are urging congregations to engage lawmakers and stay active on FEMA reform.

United Church of Christ:

“The Earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it.” —Psalm 24.

UCC called on Congress at Ecumenical Advocacy Days to protect people, peace and the planet.

United Methodist Church:

“God calls all members of the human family to recognize and protect the dignity and worth of all people to work for the well-being of all God’s Creation.” —UMC Social Principles

Jewish Earth Alliance:

Torah and Talmud teach communal responsibility (Arevut), demanding organized air and systems that respond when disaster strikes.

“All Jews are guarantors for one another.” (BT Shavuot 39a)

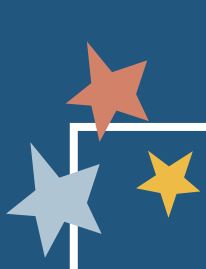
Texas Co-Sponsors in Congress:

Rep. Lizzie Fletcher

(D - TX - 7)

Rep. Lance Gooden

(R - TX - 5)



What the Bill Does

Why Texas Communities Need Your Help

Separates FEMA from the Department of Homeland Security so disaster response reports directly to the President, creating a cleaner chain of command for faster decisions.

Rebuild faster: Texas averages five federal disasters in a year. Faster FEMA means faster recovery for Texas families, helping communities get back on their feet.

Simplifies how individuals apply for assistance, making the process more accessible for low-income families, seniors, and other vulnerable Texans.

Cut through bureaucracy: Removing DHS overhead means emergency work and small-disaster funding flow without the delays that slow recovery today.

Unlocks pre- and post-disaster prevention dollars sooner so communities can invest in resilience, not just recovery.

Protection for vulnerable Texans: Streamlined applications mean no Texan is left behind due to the complexity of paperwork.

Requires a public dashboard for aid delivery timelines and mandates Government Accountability Office oversight of FEMA operations.

Build lasting accountability: A public dashboard and GAO oversight means Texans can track every dollar and hold federal programs accountable.

