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## TTD Applauds Passage of Overdue Sandy Relief Funding

WASHINGTON, DC—Transportation Trades Department, AFL-CIO (TTD) President Edward Wytkind issued the following statement upon passage of The Disaster Relief Appropriations Act (H.R.152):

"We are pleased that the House of Representatives put aside partisan differences tonight to deliver much needed and long overdue emergency relief funding to the victims of Hurricane Sandy and to the ravaged East Coast transportation system.

"With passage of both the Rogers and Frelinghuysen amendments and defeat of many possible poison pill amendments, the House finally fulfilled its responsibility to help Americans in times of need and natural disaster. While it is a shame that it took nearly three months to pass this desperately needed legislation, the regions devastated by Sandy will finally be able to rebuild homes and communities, businesses and battered infrastructure."

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