

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 1 as follows:

6 (15 ILCS 30/1) (from Ch. 127, par. 293.1)

7 Sec. 1. As used in this Act:

8 "Disaster" shall have the same meaning as provided in  
9 Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act  
10 ~~means an occurrence or threat of widespread or severe damage,~~  
11 ~~injury or loss of life or property resulting from any natural~~  
12 ~~or technological cause, including but not limited to fire,~~  
13 ~~flood, earthquake, wind, storm, hazardous material spill or~~  
14 ~~other water contamination requiring emergency action to avert~~  
15 ~~danger or damage, epidemic, air contamination, blight,~~  
16 ~~extended periods of severe and inclement weather, drought,~~  
17 ~~infestation, critical shortages of essential fuels and energy,~~  
18 ~~explosion, riot, hostile military or paramilitary action,~~  
19 ~~public health emergencies, or acts of domestic terrorism.~~

20 "Disaster area" means the area directly affected by or  
21 threatened with a disaster.

22 (Source: P.A. 93-249, eff. 7-22-03.)