

13. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, OR HER
DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES:

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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4973, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MRS. JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA

At the end of the bill, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 20. EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR FILING PROOF OF**
2 **LOSS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1312 of the National
4 Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4019) is
5 amended—

6 (1) by inserting “(a) PAYMENT.—” before “The
7 Director”; and

8 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
9 section:

10 “(b) FILING DEADLINE FOR PROOF OF LOSS.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In establishing any require-
12 ments regarding notification, proof, or approval of
13 claims for damage to or loss of property which is
14 covered by flood insurance made available under this
15 title, the Director may not require an insured to no-
16 tify the Director of such damage or loss, submit a
17 claim for such damage or loss, or certify to or sub-
18 mit proof of such damage or loss, before the expira-
19 tion of the 180-day period that begins on the date
20 that such damage or loss occurred.



1 “(2) EXCEPTIONS.— Notwithstanding any
2 deadline established in accordance with paragraph
3 (1), the Director may not deny a claim for damage
4 or loss described in such paragraph solely for failure
5 to meet such deadline if the insured demonstrates
6 any good cause for such failure.”.

7 (b) APPLICABILITY.—Subsection (b) of section 1312
8 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as added
9 by subsection (a)(2) of this section, shall apply with re-
10 spect to any claim under which the damage to or loss of
11 property occurred on or after September 18, 2003.

