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To expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by base realignment and closure, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. KING) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “HUBZone Expansion
5 Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANDING HUBZONE PROGRAM FOR COMMU-**
 2 **NITIES AFFECTED BY BASE REALIGNMENT**
 3 **AND CLOSURE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3(p)(5)(A)(i)(I) of the
 5 Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)(5)(A)(i)(I)) is
 6 amended—

7 (1) in item (aa), by striking “or” at the end;

8 (2) by redesignating item (bb) as item (cc); and

9 (3) by inserting after item (aa) the following:

10 “(bb) pursuant to subpara-
 11 graph (A), (B), (C), (D), or (E)
 12 of paragraph (3), that its prin-
 13 cipal office is located in a
 14 HUBZone described in para-
 15 graph (1)(E) (relating to base
 16 closure areas) (in this item re-
 17 ferred to as the ‘base closure
 18 HUBZone’), and that not fewer
 19 than 35 percent of its employees
 20 reside in—

21 “(AA) a HUBZone;

22 “(BB) the census tract
 23 in which the base closure
 24 HUBZone is wholly con-
 25 tained;

1 “(CC) a census tract
 2 the boundaries of which
 3 intersect the boundaries of
 4 the base closure HUBZone;
 5 or

6 “(DD) a census tract
 7 the boundaries of which are
 8 contiguous to a census tract
 9 described in subitem (BB)
 10 or (CC); or”.

11 (b) PERIOD FOR BASE CLOSURE AREAS.—

12 (1) AMENDMENTS.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 152(a)(2) of
 14 title I of division K of the Consolidated Appro-
 15 priations Act, 2005 (15 U.S.C. 632 note) is
 16 amended by striking “5 years” and inserting “8
 17 years”.

18 (B) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
 19 1698(b)(2) of National Defense Authorization
 20 Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (15 U.S.C. 632 note)
 21 is amended by striking “5 years” and inserting
 22 “8 years”.

23 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICABILITY.—The
 24 amendments made by paragraph (1) shall—

1 (A) take effect on the date of enactment of
2 this Act; and

3 (B) apply to—

4 (i) a base closure area (as defined in
5 section 3(p)(4)(D) of the Small Business
6 Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)(4)(D))) that, on the
7 day before the date of enactment of this
8 Act, is treated as a HUBZone described in
9 section 3(p)(1)(E) of the Small Business
10 Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)(1)(E)) under—

11 (I) section 152(a)(2) of title I of
12 division K of the Consolidated Appro-
13 priations Act, 2005 (15 U.S.C. 632
14 note); or

15 (II) section 1698(b)(2) of Na-
16 tional Defense Authorization Act for
17 Fiscal Year 2013 (15 U.S.C. 632
18 note); and

19 (ii) a base closure area relating to the
20 closure of a military installation under the
21 authority described in clauses (i) through
22 (iv) of section 3(p)(4)(D) of the Small
23 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)(4)(D))

1 that occurs on or after the date of enact-
2 ment of this Act.

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