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# S. 484

To amend the Investment Company Act of 1940 to terminate an exemption for companies located in Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and any other possession of the United States.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 1, 2017

Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. HATCH) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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## 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 “U.S. Territories Inves-  
5 tor Protection Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF EXEMPTION.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6(a) of the Investment  
3 Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a–6(a)) is amended  
4 by striking paragraph (1).

5 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE AND SAFE HARBOR.—

6 (1) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Except as provided in  
7 paragraph (2), the amendment made by subsection  
8 (a) shall take effect on the date of the enactment of  
9 this Act.

10 (2) SAFE HARBOR.—With respect to a company  
11 that is exempt under section 6(a)(1) of the Invest-  
12 ment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a–6(a)(1))  
13 on the day before the date of the enactment of this  
14 Act, the amendment made by subsection (a) shall  
15 take effect on the date that is 3 years after the date  
16 of the enactment of this Act.

17 (3) EXTENSION OF SAFE HARBOR.—The Secu-  
18 rities and Exchange Commission, by rule and regula-  
19 tion upon its own motion, or by order upon applica-  
20 tion, may conditionally or unconditionally, under sec-  
21 tion 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940  
22 (15 U.S.C. 80a–6(c)), further delay the effective  
23 date for a company described in paragraph (2) for  
24 a maximum of 3 years following the initial 3-year  
25 period if, before the end of the initial 3-year period,  
26 the Commission determines that such a rule, regula-

1       tion, motion, or order is necessary or appropriate in  
2       the public interest and for the protection of inves-  
3       tors.

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