

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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To extend the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. WYDEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

To extend the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000.

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. EXTENSION OF SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND**  
4                   **COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF**  
5                   **2000.**

6       (a) SECURE PAYMENTS FOR STATES AND COUNTIES  
7 CONTAINING FEDERAL LAND.—

8               (1) SECURE PAYMENTS.—

9                   (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 101 of the Se-  
10               cure Rural Schools and Community Self-Deter-

1           mination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7111) is  
2           amended, in subsections (a) and (b), by striking  
3           “2015” each place it appears and inserting  
4           “2017”.

5                   (B) SPECIAL RULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016  
6           PAYMENTS.—Section 101 of the Secure Rural  
7           Schools and Community Self-Determination Act  
8           of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7111) is amended by add-  
9           ing at the end the following:

10          “(d) SPECIAL RULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016 PAY-  
11          MENTS.—

12                   “(1) STATE PAYMENT.—If an eligible county in  
13           a State that will receive a share of the State pay-  
14           ment for fiscal year 2016 has already received, or  
15           will receive, a share of the 25-percent payment for  
16           fiscal year 2016 distributed to the State before the  
17           date of enactment of this subsection, the amount of  
18           the State payment shall be reduced by the amount  
19           of the share of the eligible county of the 25-percent  
20           payment.

21                   “(2) COUNTY PAYMENT.—If an eligible county  
22           that will receive a county payment for fiscal year  
23           2016 has already received a 50-percent payment for  
24           fiscal year 2016, the amount of the county payment

1 shall be reduced by the amount of the 50-percent  
2 payment.

3 “(3) PROMPT PAYMENT.—Not later than 45  
4 days after the date of enactment of this subsection,  
5 the Secretary of the Treasury shall make all pay-  
6 ments under this title for fiscal year 2016.”.

7 (2) PAYMENTS TO STATES AND COUNTIES.—

8 (A) ELECTION TO RECEIVE PAYMENT  
9 AMOUNT.—Section 102(b) of the Secure Rural  
10 Schools and Community Self-Determination Act  
11 of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7112(b)) is amended—

12 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking sub-  
13 paragraph (C) and inserting the following:

14 “(C) PAYMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014  
15 THROUGH 2017.—The election otherwise re-  
16 quired by subparagraph (A) shall not apply for  
17 each of fiscal years 2014 through 2017.”; and

18 (ii) in paragraph (2)—

19 (I) in subparagraph (A), by strik-  
20 ing “fiscal years 2014 and 2015” and  
21 inserting “each of fiscal years 2014  
22 through 2017”; and

23 (II) in subparagraph (B), by  
24 striking “2015” and inserting  
25 “2017”.

1           (B) EXPENDITURE RULES FOR ELIGIBLE  
2           COUNTIES.—Section 102(d) of the Secure Rural  
3           Schools and Community Self-Determination Act  
4           of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7112(d)) is amended—

5                   (i) in paragraph (1), by striking sub-  
6                   paragraph (E) and inserting the following:

7                   “(E) PAYMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014  
8                   THROUGH 2017.—The election made by an eligi-  
9                   ble county under subparagraph (B), (C), or (D)  
10                  for fiscal year 2013, or deemed to be made by  
11                  the county under paragraph (3)(B) for that fis-  
12                  cal year, shall be effective for each of fiscal  
13                  years 2014 through 2017.”; and

14                   (ii) in paragraph (3)—

15                           (I) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by  
16                           striking “purpose described in section  
17                           202(b)” and inserting “purposes de-  
18                           scribed in section 202(b), section  
19                           203(c), or section 204(a)(5)”;

20                           (II) by striking subparagraph (C)  
21                           and inserting the following:

22                   “(C) PAYMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014  
23                   THROUGH 2017.—This paragraph does not  
24                   apply for each of fiscal years 2014 through  
25                   2017.”.

1           (C) TREATMENT AS SUPPLEMENTAL  
2 FUNDING.—Section 102 of the Secure Rural  
3 Schools and Community Self-Determination Act  
4 of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7112) is amended by add-  
5 ing at the end the following:

6           “(f) TREATMENT AS SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING.—  
7 None of the funds made available to an eligible county  
8 under this Act may be used in lieu of, or to otherwise off-  
9 set, a State funding source for a local school, facility, or  
10 educational purpose.”.

11           (D) DISTRIBUTION OF PAYMENTS TO ELI-  
12 GIBLE COUNTIES.—Section 103(d)(2) of the Se-  
13 cure Rural Schools and Community Self-Deter-  
14 mination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7113(d)(2)) is  
15 amended by striking “2015” and inserting  
16 “2017”.

17           (b) CONTINUATION OF AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT  
18 SPECIAL PROJECTS ON FEDERAL LAND.—

19           (1) REPEAL OF CONTRACTING PILOT PRO-  
20 GRAM.—Section 204(e) of the Secure Rural Schools  
21 and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16  
22 U.S.C. 7124(e)) is amended by striking paragraph  
23 (3).

24           (2) RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEES.—Sec-  
25 tion 205(a)(4) of the Secure Rural Schools and

1 Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16  
2 U.S.C. 7125(a)(4)) is amended by striking “2012”  
3 each place it appears and inserting “2017”.

4 (3) AVAILABILITY OF PROJECT FUNDS.—Sec-  
5 tion 207(d)(2) of the Secure Rural Schools and  
6 Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16  
7 U.S.C. 7127(d)(2)) is amended by striking “sub-  
8 paragraph (B)” and inserting “subparagraph (B)(i),  
9 (B)(ii),”.

10 (4) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—Section  
11 208 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community  
12 Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7128) is  
13 amended—

14 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “2017”  
15 and inserting “2019”; and

16 (B) in subsection (b), by striking “2018”  
17 and inserting “2020”.

18 (c) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—Section 304 of  
19 the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determina-  
20 tion Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7144) is amended—

21 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “2017” and  
22 inserting “2019”; and

23 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “2018” and  
24 inserting “2020”.

1           (d) **OFFSET.**—It is the sense of the Senate that the  
2 costs of carrying out this section and the amendments  
3 made by this section will be offset.