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

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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RISCH, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. DAINES, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. GARDNER, Mrs.
FEINSTEIN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. TESTER, Mr. SULLIVAN, and Mr.
BENNET) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on _____

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.—

1   (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 101 of the Se-
2   cure Rural Schools and Community Self-Deter-
3   mination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7111) is
4   amended, in subsections (a) and (b), by striking
5   "2015" each place it appears and inserting
6   "2017".

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

12   "(d) SPECIAL RULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016 PAY-
13 MENTS.—

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

23   "(2) COUNTY PAYMENT.—If an eligible county
24   that will receive a county payment for fiscal year
25   2016 has already received a 50-percent payment for

1 fiscal year 2016, the amount of the county payment

2 shall be reduced by the amount of the 50-percent

3 payment.

4   "(3) PROMPT PAYMENT.—Not later than 45

5 days after the date of enactment of this subsection,

6 the Secretary of the Treasury shall make all pay-

7 ments under this title for fiscal year 2016.".

8   (2) PAYMENTS TO STATES AND COUNTIES.—

9   (A) ELECTION TO RECEIVE PAYMENT

10   AMOUNT.—Section 102(b) of the Secure Rural

11   Schools and Community Self-Determination Act

12   of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7112(b)) is amended—

13   (i) in paragraph (1), by striking sub-

14   paragraph (C) and inserting the following:

15   "(C) PAYMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014

16   THROUGH 2017.—The election otherwise re-

17   quired by subparagraph (A) shall not apply for

18   each of fiscal years 2014 through 2017."; and

19   (ii) in paragraph (2)—

20   (I) in subparagraph (A), by strik-

21   ing "fiscal years 2014 and 2015" and

22   inserting "each of fiscal years 2014

23   through 2017"; and

1   (II) in subparagraph (B), by

2   striking "2015" and inserting

3   "2017".

4   (B) EXPENDITURE RULES FOR ELIGIBLE

5   COUNTIES.—Section 102(d) of the Secure Rural

6   Schools and Community Self-Determination Act

7   of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7112(d)) is amended—

8   (i) in paragraph (1), by striking sub-

9   paragraph (E) and inserting the following:

10   "(E) PAYMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014

11   THROUGH 2017.—The election made by an eligi-

12   ble county under subparagraph (B), (C), or (D)

13   for fiscal year 2013, or deemed to be made by

14   the county under paragraph (3)(B) for that fis-

15   cal year, shall be effective for each of fiscal

16   years 2014 through 2017."; and

17   (ii) in paragraph (3)—

18   (I) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by

19   striking "purpose described in section

20   202(b)" and inserting "purposes de-

21   scribed in section 202(b), section

22   203(c), or section 204(a)(5)"; and

23   (II) by striking subparagraph (C)

24   and inserting the following:

1   "(C) PAYMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014

2   THROUGH 2017.—This paragraph does not

3   apply for each of fiscal years 2014 through

4   2017.".

5   (C) TREATMENT AS SUPPLEMENTAL

6   FUNDING.—Section 102 of the Secure Rural

7   Schools and Community Self-Determination Act

8   of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7112) is amended by add-

9   ing at the end the following:

10 "(f) TREATMENT AS SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING.—

11 None of the funds made available to an eligible county

12 under this Act may be used in lieu of, or to otherwise off-

13 set, a State funding source for a local school, facility, or

14 educational purpose.".

15   (D) DISTRIBUTION OF PAYMENTS TO ELI-

16   GIBLE COUNTIES.—Section 103(d)(2) of the Se-

17   cure Rural Schools and Community Self-Deter-

18   mination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7113(d)(2)) is

19   amended by striking "2015" and inserting

20   "2017".

21   (b) CONTINUATION OF AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT

22 SPECIAL PROJECTS ON FEDERAL LAND.—

23   (1) REPEAL OF CONTRACTING PILOT PRO-

24   GRAM.—Section 204(e) of the Secure Rural Schools

25   and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16

1 U.S.C. 7124(e)) is amended by striking paragraph

2 (3).

3   (2) RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEES.—Sec-

4   tion 205(a)(4) of the Secure Rural Schools and

5   Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16

6   U.S.C. 7125(a)(4)) is amended by striking "2012"

7   each place it appears and inserting "2017".

8   (3) AVAILABILITY OF PROJECT FUNDS.—Sec-

9   tion 207(d)(2) of the Secure Rural Schools and

10   Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16

11   U.S.C. 7127(d)(2)) is amended by striking "sub-

12   paragraph (B)" and inserting "subparagraph (B)(i),

13   (B)(ii),".

14   (4) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—Section

15   208 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community

16   Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7128) is

17   amended—

18   (A) in subsection (a), by striking "2017"

19   and inserting "2019"; and

20   (B) in subsection (b), by striking "2018"

21   and inserting "2020".

22 (c) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—Section 304 of

23 the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determina-

24 tion Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7144) is amended—

1   (1) in subsection (a), by striking "2017" and

2   inserting "2019"; and

3   (2) in subsection (b), by striking "2018" and

4   inserting "2020".

5   (d) OFFSET.—It is the sense of the Senate that the

6 costs of carrying out this section and the amendments

7 made by this section will be offset.