107TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## S. 3065

To provide exceptions to empowerment zone eligibility criteria.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 7, 2002

Mr. Hutchinson (for himself, Mr. Inhofe, and Mr. Schumer) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

## 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. EXCEPTIONS TO EMPOWERMENT ZONE ELIGI-
- 4 BILITY.
- 5 (a) In General.—Notwithstanding section
- 6 1392(a)(3)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26
- 7 U.S.C. 1392(a)(3)(D)), with respect to those empower-
- 8 ment zones listed in subsection (b), each such empower-
- 9 ment zone shall not include any portion of a central busi-
- 10 ness district (as such term is used for purposes of the

- 1 most recent Census of Retail Trade) unless the poverty
- 2 rate for each population census tract in such district is
- 3 not less than 25 percent.
- 4 (b) APPLICATION.—Subsection (a) shall apply to the
- 5 empowerment zones in Pulaski County, Arkansas, Okla-
- 6 homa City, Oklahoma, and Yonkers, New York, and shall
- 7 be considered to have taken affect with respect to each
- 8 such empowerment zone at the time that the area was so
- 9 designated by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Devel-
- 10 opment.

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