110TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. 3436

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

August 1, 2008

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

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 "Flood Insurance Re-
- 5 fund Adjustment Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. PREMIUM REFUNDS.
- 7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
- 8 date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the
- 9 Federal Emergency Management Agency shall modify its

- 1 regulations under section 1304 of the National Flood In-
- 2 surance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 1304) and the NFIP
- 3 Flood Insurance Manual related to premium refunds so
- 4 that a Standard Flood Insurance Policyholder whose prop-
- 5 erty has been determined not to be in a special flood haz-
- 6 ard area, as a result of a flood map revision or a Letter
- 7 of Map Amendment under part 70 of title 44, Code of
- 8 Federal Regulations, has 1 year to submit a policy adjust-
- 9 ment claim for the following:
- 10 (1) Policy cancellation and a refund in the
- amount not to exceed 1 year of premiums paid
- 12 under such policy.
- 13 (2) Policy cancellation and a refund of the dif-
- 14 ference between an A-zone or Z-zone Flood Insur-
- ance Policy and a preferred-risk policy for a period
- not to exceed 2 years.
- 17 (3) A policy adjustment from an A-zone or Z-
- zone Flood Insurance Policy to a preferred-risk pol-
- icy, with a refund of the difference between the 2
- 20 policies for a period not to exceed 3 years.
- 21 (b) Nonapplicability.—If a flood claim under a
- 22 policy described under subsection (a) has been paid or is
- 23 pending, the policy is not applicable for a policy adjust-

1 ment under either paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection2 (a).

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