

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1127

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 21, 2009

Mr. MARTINEZ introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental 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 “Disability Data Mod-
5 ernization Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCLUSION OF STANDARD FUNCTIONAL ABILITY**
2 **QUESTIONS IN CENSUS QUESTIONNAIRES.**

3 In conducting the 2010 decennial census and the
4 2010 American Community Survey and every decennial
5 census and American Community Survey thereafter, the
6 Secretary of Commerce shall include, in any questionnaire
7 distributed or otherwise used, the Katz basic activities of
8 daily living scale and the Lawton-Brody instrumental ac-
9 tivities of daily living scale.

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