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S. 3285

To help certain communities adversely affected by FEMA's flood mapping modernization program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 29, 2010

Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself and Mr. PRYOR) 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. FLOOD MAP MODERNIZATION AND FLOOD PRO-**
4 **TECTION SYSTEMS.**

5 (a) SUSPENSION OF MAPPING UPDATES.—Notwith-
6 standing subsections (e) and (f) of section 1360 of the
7 National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4101(e)
8 and (f)), the Administrator of the Federal Emergency
9 Management Agency shall not revise, update, or publish
10 any flood insurance rate map under its Flood Map Mod-

ernization Program (commonly referred to as “Map Mod”) for any counties that are protected by a structure built or maintained by the Army Corps of Engineers unless the affected owner of such structure or the community protected by such structure—

(1) has been formally notified of any deficiencies in such structure; and

(2) has been afforded 7 years to rectify any such deficiencies that would affect the flood insurance rate map for the geographic area in which such structure or community is located.

(b) LIMITATION ON REQUIRED PURCHASE; SUSPENSION OF PREMIUM INCREASES.—Until such time as the owner of a structure described in subsection (a) has been afforded 7 years to rectify any identified deficiencies in the structure, and notwithstanding the mandatory purchase requirements of sections 102 and 202 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4012a, 4106), the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall not—

(1) require owners of property located in any county described in subsection (a) who, prior to the date of enactment of this Act were not required to purchase flood insurance, to purchase flood insurance; and

1 (2) for owners of property located in any county
2 described in subsection (a) that had purchased flood
3 insurance prior to the date of enactment of this Act,
4 increase the risk premium rate charged for such
5 flood insurance.

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