# <sup>111TH CONGRESS</sup> 2D SESSION **S. 3745**

To amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to require the Secretary of Agriculture in the case of low-income States to use 95 percent of the national average nonmetropolitan median income for purposes of determining the eligibility of communities in the States for certain rural development funding.

### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

August 5, 2010

Mrs. LINCOLN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

## 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 "Rural Infrastructure
- 5 Improvement Act of 2010".

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### 1 SEC. 2. MEDIAN INCOME REQUIREMENT ADJUSTMENT.

2 Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural De3 velopment Act (7 U.S.C. 1926) is amended by inserting
4 after subsection (b) the following:

5 "(c) Median Income Requirement Adjust-6 ment.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary applies a 7 8 median income requirement to communities for pur-9 poses of determining eligibility for the community 10 facilities programs and water, waste disposal, and 11 wastewater programs authorized under this section 12 and sections 306A, 306C, 306D, and 306E, in the 13 case of a State for which the State nonmetropolitan 14 median income is equal to or less than 90 percent 15 of the national average nonmetropolitan median in-16 come, the Secretary shall use an amount equal to 95 17 percent of the national average nonmetropolitan me-18 dian income in applying the median income require-19 ment for any community in the State.

20 "(2) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—The au21 thority provided by paragraph (1) terminates on
22 September 30, 2012".