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To require the Secretary of the Army to conduct levee system evaluations and certifications on receipt of requests from non-Federal interests.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. REHBERG introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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 “American Levee Cer-
5 tification Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. RURAL COMMUNITY FLOOD PROTECTION.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—On receipt of a request from a
8 non-Federal interest, the Secretary of the Army (referred
9 to in this section as the “Secretary”) shall conduct a levee
10 system evaluation and certification of a federally author-

1 ized levee or a non-federally authorized levee for purposes
2 of the National Flood Insurance Program established
3 under chapter 1 of the National Flood Insurance Act of
4 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4011 et seq.).

5 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—A levee system evaluation and
6 certification under subsection (a) shall—

7 (1) at a minimum, comply with the require-
8 ments of section 65.10 of title 44, Code of Federal
9 Regulations (as in effect on the date of enactment
10 of this Act); and

11 (2) be carried out in accordance with such pro-
12 cedures as the Secretary, in consultation with the
13 Director of the Federal Emergency Management
14 Agency, may establish.

15 (c) COST SHARING.—

16 (1) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—Subject to para-
17 graph (2), the non-Federal share of the cost of car-
18 rying out a levee system evaluation and certification
19 under this section shall be 35 percent.

20 (2) ADJUSTMENT.—The Secretary shall adjust
21 the non-Federal share under paragraph (1) to zero
22 if—

23 (A) the non-Federal interest is located in
24 an area with a population of 10,000 or fewer
25 individuals; or

1 (B) the division of the non-Federal interest
2 with responsibility for the applicable levee is
3 staffed by individuals operating on a volunteer
4 basis.

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