### 112TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

# S. 2157

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

March 6, 2012

Mr. Nelson of Florida (for himself and Mr. Rubio) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

# 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 "Shuttle Workforce Re-
- 5 vitalization Act of 2012".
- 6 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
- 7 Congress finds the following:
- 8 (1) The termination of the space shuttle pro-
- 9 gram has resulted in significant economic hardship

- for the region surrounding the Kennedy Space Center.
- 3 (2) The highly skilled space shuttle workforce 4 in Brevard County, Florida, is a unique asset of the 5 United States, the retention of which will facilitate 6 advancements in science and technology.
- 7 (3) The technical capabilities, dedication, and 8 perseverance of the space shuttle workforce will en-9 hance the technological competitiveness of the 10 United States by cultivating and developing the 11 small business community within Brevard County, 12 Florida.
- 13 (4) It is in the national interest to remain glob-14 ally competitive in the fields of science and tech-15 nology.

### 16 SEC. 3. BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA.

- For purposes of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
- 18 631 et seq.), Brevard County, Florida, shall be a
- 19 HUBZone, as defined in section 3(p) of the Small Busi-
- 20 ness Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)), until not earlier than Janu-
- 21 ary 1, 2020.

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