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# S. 1511

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. LANDRIEU introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

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## 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 “Gulf Coast Disadvan-  
5 taged Business Relief Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act—

8 (1) the term “Administrator” means the Ad-  
9 ministrator of the Small Business Administration;

1           (2) the term “covered parish or county” means  
2           a parish in the State of Louisiana, or a county in  
3           the State of Mississippi or the State of Alabama,  
4           that has been designated by the Administrator as a  
5           disaster area by reason of Hurricane Katrina of  
6           2005 or Hurricane Rita of 2005 under disaster dec-  
7           laration 10176, 10177, 10178, 10179, 10180,  
8           10181, 10205, or 10206; and

9           (3) the term “small business concern” has the  
10          meaning given that term under section 3 of the  
11          Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632).

12 **SEC. 3. EXTENSION OF PARTICIPATION TERM FOR VICTIMS**  
13                   **OF HURRICANE KATRINA OR HURRICANE**  
14                   **RITA.**

15          (a) **RETROACTIVITY.**—If a small business concern,  
16 while participating in any program or activity under the  
17 authority of section 7(j)(10) of the Small Business Act  
18 (15 U.S.C. 636(j)(10)), was located in a covered parish  
19 or county and was affected by Hurricane Katrina of 2005  
20 or Hurricane Rita of 2005, the period during which the  
21 small business concern is permitted continuing participa-  
22 tion and eligibility in the program or activity shall be ex-  
23 tended for 24 months after the date such participation and  
24 eligibility would otherwise terminate.

1       (b) REVIEW AND COMPLIANCE.—The Administrator  
2 shall ensure that the case of every small business concern  
3 participating before the date of enactment of this Act in  
4 a program or activity described in subsection (a) is re-  
5 viewed and brought into compliance with this Act.

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