

112TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 1874

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## AN ACT

To require the timely identification of qualified census tracts for purposes of the HUBZone program, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “HUBZone Qualified  
3 Census Tract Act of 2011”.

4 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF QUALIFIED CENSUS TRACTS.**

5 (a) IDENTIFICATION OF HUBZONE QUALIFIED CEN-  
6 SUS TRACTS.—Not later than 2 months after the date on  
7 which the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development  
8 receives from the Census Bureau the data obtained from  
9 each decennial census relating to census tracts necessary  
10 for such identification, the Secretary of Housing and  
11 Urban Development shall identify and publish the list of  
12 census tracts that meet the requirements of section  
13 42(d)(5)(B)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

14 (b) SPECIFICATION OF EFFECTIVE DATES OF DES-  
15 IGNATION.—

16 (1) HUBZONE EFFECTIVE DATE.—The Sec-  
17 retary of Housing and Urban Development, after  
18 consultation with the Administrator of the Small  
19 Business Administration, shall designate a date that  
20 is not later than 3 months after the publication of  
21 the list of qualified census tracts under subsection  
22 (a) upon which the list published under subsection  
23 (a) becomes effective for areas that qualify as  
24 HUBZones under section 3(p)(1)(A) of the Small  
25 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)(1)(A)).

1           (2) SECTION 42 EFFECTIVE DATE.—The Sec-  
2       retary of Housing and Urban Development shall des-  
3       ignate a date, which may differ from the HUBZone  
4       effective date under paragraph (1), upon which the  
5       list of qualified census tracts published under sub-  
6       section (a) shall become effective for purposes of sec-  
7       tion 42(d)(5)(B)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of  
8       1986.

9       (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
10      tion may be construed to affect the method used by the  
11      Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to des-  
12      ignate census tracts as qualified census tracts in a year  
13      in which the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-  
14      ment receives no data from the Census Bureau relating  
15      to census tract boundaries.

16      **SEC. 3. REPORT.**

17           Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment  
18      of this Act, the Administrator of the Small Business Ad-  
19      ministration shall submit to the Committee on Small Busi-  
20      ness and Entrepreneurship of the Senate and the Com-  
21      mittee on Small Business of the House of Representatives  
22      a report that—

23           (1) describes the benefits and drawbacks of  
24      using qualified census tract data to designate

1 HUBZones under section 3(p) of the Small Business  
2 Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p));

3 (2) describes any problems encountered by the  
4 Administrator in using qualified census tract data to  
5 designate HUBZones; and

6 (3) includes recommendations, if any, for ways  
7 to improve the process of designating HUBZones.

Passed the Senate December 17, 2011.

Attest:

*Secretary.*



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