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S. 2157

To ensure that all of Brevard County, Florida, is treated as a HUBZone,
and for other purposes.

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 Busi-
ness and Entrepreneurship

A BILL

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as a HUBZone, 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,*

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

1 for the region surrounding the Kennedy Space Cen-
2 ter.

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.**

17 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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