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S. 1100

To amend title 46, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the program to provide assistance for small shipyards and maritime communities through fiscal year 2020, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 11, 2017

Ms. BALDWIN (for herself and Mr. CASSIDY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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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 “Small Shipyards and
5 Maritime Communities Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

7 Subsection (i) of section 54101 of title 46, United
8 States Code, is amended—

1 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by
2 striking “2017” and inserting “2020”;

3 (2) in paragraph (1), by striking “\$5,000,000”
4 and inserting “\$7,500,00”; and

5 (3) in paragraph (2), by striking
6 “\$25,000,000” and inserting “\$27,500,000”.

7 **SEC. 3. AWARD OF GRANTS.**

8 Subsection (b) of section 54101 of title 46, United
9 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

10 “(b) AWARDS.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In providing assistance
12 under the program, the Administrator shall take into
13 account—

14 “(A) the economic circumstances and con-
15 ditions of maritime communities;

16 “(B) projects that would be effective in
17 fostering efficiency, competitive operations, and
18 quality ship construction, repair, and reconfig-
19 uration; and

20 “(C) projects that would be effective in
21 fostering employee skills and enhancing produc-
22 tivity.

23 “(2) TIMING OF AWARD.—

24 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
25 subparagraph (B), the Administrator shall

1 make grants under this section within 120 days
2 after the date of enactment of the appropria-
3 tions Act for the fiscal year concerned.

4 “(B) REALLOCATION OF UNUSED
5 FUNDS.—If a grant is awarded under this sec-
6 tion and, for any reason, the grant funds are
7 not used by the grantee, the Administrator may
8 use such unused funds to make another grant
9 under this section.”.

10 **SEC. 4. BUY AMERICA.**

11 Subsection (c) of section 54101 of title 46, United
12 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
13 lowing:

14 “(3) BUY AMERICA.—

15 “(A) REQUIREMENT.—A grant provided
16 under this section may be used for a project
17 only if the steel, iron, and manufactured goods
18 used in the project are produced in the United
19 States.

20 “(B) WAIVER.—The Administrator may
21 waive subparagraph (A) if the Administrator
22 finds that the waiver would be permitted under
23 paragraph (2) of section 5323(j) of title 49,
24 United States Code.”.