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AMENDMENT NO. _____

Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To improve the bill.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—117th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. 2068

To require the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce to promote and administer programs in the public and private sectors to assist the development of minority business enterprises, to ensure that such Agency has the necessary supporting resources, particularly during economic downturns, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENTS intended to be proposed by Mr. LUJÁN

Viz:

1 Strike section 301(2) and insert the following:

2 (2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term “eligible enti-
3 ty” means—

4 (A) a minority-serving institution; or

5 (B) a consortium of institutions of higher
6 education that is led by a minority-serving insti-
7 tution.

8 Strike section 301(5) and insert the following:

1 (5) MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The
2 term “minority-serving institution” means an insti-
3 tution described in any of paragraphs (1) through
4 (7) of section 371(a) of the Higher Education Act
5 of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a)).

6 Strike section 302(d)(2)(B) and insert the following:

7 (B) give priority to an eligible entity
8 that—

9 (i) is located in a State or region that
10 has a significant population of socially or
11 economically disadvantaged individuals;

12 (ii) has a history of serving socially or
13 economically disadvantaged individuals; or

14 (iii) in the determination of the Under
15 Secretary, has not received an equitable al-
16 location of land and financial resources
17 under—

18 (I) the Act of July 2, 1862 (com-
19 monly known as the “First Morrill
20 Act”) (12 Stat. 503, chapter 130; 7
21 U.S.C. 301 et seq.); or

22 (II) the Act of August 30, 1890
23 (commonly known as the “Second

1 Morrill Act”) (26 Stat. 417, chapter
2 841; 7 U.S.C. 321 et seq.).

3 (3) CONSIDERATIONS.—In determining whether
4 to enter into an MBDA Rural Business Center
5 agreement with an eligible entity under this section,
6 the Under Secretary shall consider the needs of the
7 eligible entity.

8 In section 708, in the matter preceding paragraph
9 (1), strike “\$100,000,000” and insert “\$110,000,000”.

10 In section 708(2), strike “\$10,000,000” and insert
11 “\$20,000,000”.