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To require the preparation of community economic adjustment plans before the closure or realignment of military installations under base closure laws.

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Mr. RIEGLE introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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. COMMUNITY ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT PLAN**
4 **FOR CLOSED OR REALIGNED MILITARY IN-**
5 **STALLATIONS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may not
7 close or realign a military installation under a base closure
8 law until a community economic adjustment plan with re-
9 spect to the installation is prepared in accordance with
10 this section.

1 (b) PLAN PREPARATION.—(1) The Secretary shall—

2 (A) ensure that the community economic ad-
3 justment plan, if any, prepared by a State or local
4 government, or a regional economic organization or
5 other organization, with respect to a military instal-
6 lation to be closed or realigned under a base closure
7 law meets the requirements for such a plan under
8 this section; or

9 (B) in the event that no government or organi-
10 zation prepares such a plan, prepare a plan meeting
11 such requirements.

12 (2)(A) The Secretary may provide such assistance
13 (including making grants and entering into cooperative
14 agreements) as the Secretary determines appropriate to
15 State or local governments, or regional economic organiza-
16 tions or other organizations, in the preparation of a com-
17 munity economic adjustment plans under paragraph
18 (1)(A).

19 (B) Any grants made by the Secretary under this
20 paragraph shall meet the requirements of section 2391(b)
21 of title 10, United States Code.

22 (3) The Secretary shall carry out the requirements
23 of this subsection through the Office of Economic Adjust-
24 ment of the Department of Defense.

1 (c) PLAN REQUIREMENTS.—Each community eco-
2 nomic adjustment plan prepared under this section with
3 respect to a military installation to be closed or realigned
4 shall contain the following:

5 (1) If the utilization of any portion of the in-
6 stallation for non-defense purposes is determined to
7 be economically practicable, a proposal for the utili-
8 zation of such portion for such purposes, including—

9 (A) a specific description of such utiliza-
10 tion;

11 (B) a proposal for notifying the public the
12 availability of such portion for such purposes;

13 (C) an assessment of the environmental
14 hazards, if any, that exist at the installation,
15 and a plan for the remediation of such hazards;

16 (D) an assessment of (i) the number of ci-
17 vilian employees who will gain or lose employ-
18 ment as a result of the closure or realignment
19 of the installation, and (ii) the number of such
20 employees, if any, who will find alternative em-
21 ployment in the vicinity of the installation after
22 such closure or realignment as a result of such
23 utilization; and

24 (E) an assessment of the affect on the tax
25 base and expenditures of the State and local

1 governments affected by the closure or realign-
2 ment of (i) the closure or realignment, and (ii)
3 such utilization.

4 (2) If the utilization of any portion of the in-
5 stallation for non-defense purposes is determined not
6 to be economically practicable, a detailed explanation
7 of the analysis supporting that determination.

8 (3) A proposal for the minimization of the eco-
9 nomic impact of the closure or realignment on the
10 region in which the installation is located, including
11 means of—

12 (A) ensuring the economic stability of the
13 region;

14 (B) providing for job creation in the
15 region;

16 (C) providing for growth in rates of per-
17 sonal income throughout the region; and

18 (D) stabilizing the tax base and projected
19 expenditures of State and local governments in
20 the region.

21 (d) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days after the
22 Secretary determines that a community economic adjust-
23 ment plan with respect to a military installation meets the
24 requirements of subsection (c), the Secretary shall—

1 (1) submit to the appropriate committees of the
2 Senate and House of Representatives a written noti-
3 fication of the completion of the plan; and

4 (2) in the event that the Secretary prepares the
5 plan under subsection (a)(1)(B), submit the plan to
6 the governments of the State and localities in which
7 the military installation is located and to such re-
8 gional economic organizations or other organizations
9 as the Secretary determines appropriate.

10 (e) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe
11 regulations for the purposes of carrying out this section.

12 (f) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “base clo-
13 sure law” means the following:

14 (1) Section 2687 of title 10, United States
15 Code.

16 (2) Title II of the Defense Authorization
17 Amendments and Base Closure and Realignment
18 Act (Public Law 100–526; 10 U.S.C. 2687 note).

19 (3) The Defense Base Closure and Realignment
20 Act of 1990 (part A of title XXIX of Public Law
21 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 2687 note).

22 (4) Any other similar law enacted after the date
23 of the enactment of this Act.

24 (g) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The provisions of this Act
25 shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act

- 1 and apply to military installations closed or realigned after
- 2 such date.

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