

FIRST DEGREE SUBSTITUTE TO PENDING AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN
THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 865
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At the end of title III add the following:

SEC. __. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON OPPORTUNITY ZONES.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds as follows:

(1) Opportunity Zones were championed by prominent leaders of both parties as an innovative way to tackle longstanding challenges.

(2) As of December 2018, 8,763 low-income communities had been designated as Opportunity Zones, representing all 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and American Samoa.

(3) Schools are integral parts of communities, and a key part of communities' economic and work force development efforts could be modernizing school facilities.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of the Congress that opportunity zones, when combined with public infrastructure investment, can provide an innovative approach to capital financing that has the potential to unleash creativity and help local communities rebuild schools, rebuild economics, and get people back to work.