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To provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage.

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Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. CASEY, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. WARREN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. REED, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BROWN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. COWAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

To provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage.

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 “Fair Minimum Wage
5 Act of 2013”.

6 **SEC. 2. MINIMUM WAGE INCREASES.**

7 (a) MINIMUM WAGE.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 6(a)(1) of the Fair
 2 Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206(a)(1))
 3 is amended to read as follows:

4 “(1) except as otherwise provided in this sec-
 5 tion, not less than—

6 “(A) \$8.20 an hour, beginning on the first
 7 day of the third month that begins after the
 8 date of enactment of the Fair Minimum Wage
 9 Act of 2013 Act;

10 “(B) \$9.15 an hour, beginning 1 year after
 11 that first day;

12 “(C) \$10.10 an hour, beginning 2 years
 13 after that first day; and

14 “(D) beginning on the date that is 3 years
 15 after that first day, and annually thereafter, the
 16 amount determined by the Secretary pursuant
 17 to subsection (h);”.

18 (2) DETERMINATION BASED ON INCREASE IN
 19 THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.—Section 6 of the
 20 Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206)
 21 is amended by adding at the end the following:

22 “(h)(1) Each year, by not later than the date that
 23 is 90 days before a new minimum wage determined under
 24 subsection (a)(1)(D) is to take effect, the Secretary shall
 25 determine the minimum wage to be in effect pursuant to

1 this subsection for the subsequent 1-year period. The wage
 2 determined pursuant to this subsection for a year shall
 3 be—

4 “(A) not less than the amount in effect under
 5 subsection (a)(1) on the date of such determination;

6 “(B) increased from such amount by the annual
 7 percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for
 8 Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (United
 9 States city average, all items, not seasonally ad-
 10 justed), or its successor publication, as determined
 11 by the Bureau of Labor Statistics; and

12 “(C) rounded to the nearest multiple of \$0.05.

13 “(2) In calculating the annual percentage increase in
 14 the Consumer Price Index for purposes of paragraph
 15 (1)(B), the Secretary shall compare such Consumer Price
 16 Index for the most recent month, quarter, or year avail-
 17 able (as selected by the Secretary prior to the first year
 18 for which a minimum wage is in effect pursuant to this
 19 subsection) with the Consumer Price Index for the same
 20 month in the preceding year, the same quarter in the pre-
 21 ceding year, or the preceding year, respectively.”.

22 (b) BASE MINIMUM WAGE FOR TIPPED EMPLOY-
 23 EES.—Section 3(m)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act
 24 of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 203(m)(1)) is amended to read as fol-
 25 lows:

1 “(1) the cash wage paid such employee, which
2 for purposes of such determination shall be not less
3 than—

4 “(A) for the 1-year period beginning on
5 the first day of the third month that begins
6 after the date of enactment of the Fair Min-
7 imum Wage Act of 2013, \$3.00 an hour;

8 “(B) for each succeeding 1-year period
9 until the hourly wage under this paragraph
10 equals 70 percent of the wage in effect under
11 section 6(a)(1) for such period, an hourly wage
12 equal to the amount determined under this
13 paragraph for the preceding year, increased by
14 the lesser of—

15 “(i) \$0.95; or

16 “(ii) the amount necessary for the
17 wage in effect under this paragraph to
18 equal 70 percent of the wage in effect
19 under section 6(a)(1) for such period,
20 rounded to the nearest multiple of \$0.05;
21 and

22 “(C) for each succeeding 1-year period
23 after the year in which the hourly wage under
24 this paragraph first equals 70 percent of the
25 wage in effect under section 6(a)(1) for the

1 same period, the amount necessary to ensure
2 that the wage in effect under this paragraph re-
3 mains equal to 70 percent of the wage in effect
4 under section 6(a)(1), rounded to the nearest
5 multiple of \$0.05; and”.

6 (c) PUBLICATION OF NOTICE.—Section 6 of the Fair
7 Labor Standards Act of 1938 (as amended by subsection
8 (a)) (29 U.S.C. 206) is further amended by adding at the
9 end the following:

10 “(i) Not later than 60 days prior to the effective date
11 of any increase in the minimum wage determined under
12 subsection (h) or required for tipped employees in accord-
13 ance with subparagraph (B) or (C) of section 3(m)(1), as
14 amended by the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2013, the
15 Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register and on the
16 website of the Department of Labor a notice announcing
17 the adjusted required wage.”.

18 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
19 subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect on the first day
20 of the third month that begins after the date of enactment
21 of this Act.

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