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S. 198

To require the return and redistribution among State transportation departments of certain unexpended highway funding.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. CASEY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Redistribution of
5 Unspent Earmarks Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. RETURN AND REDISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN UNOB-**
7 **LIGATED HIGHWAY FUNDING.**

8 (a) DEFINITION OF EARMARK.—In this section, the
9 term “earmark” means—

1 (1) a congressionally directed spending item, as
2 defined in clause 5(a) of rule XLIV of the rules of
3 the Senate for the 112th Congress; or

4 (2) a congressional earmark, as defined in
5 clause 9(d) of rule XXI of the rules of the House
6 of Representatives for the 112th Congress.

7 (b) RETURN AND REDISTRIBUTION.—Notwith-
8 standing any other provision of law, funds made available
9 from the Highway Trust Fund through an earmark for
10 fiscal year 2008 or a preceding fiscal year that remain
11 unobligated as of the date of enactment of this Act shall
12 be—

13 (1) returned to the State transportation depart-
14 ment of the State in which the earmarked funds
15 were directed to be used; and

16 (2) redistributed by the State for expeditious
17 use for other federally approved transportation
18 projects in the State.

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