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us much about structural flaws in the United States. This book explores each of these events in detail to locate the seed of the disasters, and highlights what we have learned and not learned from these stress tests. John Rennie Short is Professor of Public Policy at the University of Maryland Baltimore County, USA.
