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H. R. 1756

To amend the Small Business Act to improve the Microloan program, and
for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HELLER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Small Business

A BILL

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program, and for other purposes.

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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Small Business Microloan Modernization Act of 2009”.

6 (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents for
7 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Transmission of credit reporting information.
- Sec. 3. Flexible credit.
- Sec. 4. Intermediary eligibility requirements.
- Sec. 5. Average loan size.
- Sec. 6. Technical assistance.
- Sec. 7. Entrepreneurs with disabilities.

1 **SEC. 2. TRANSMISSION OF CREDIT REPORTING INFORMA-**
2 **TION.**

3 Section 7(m) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
4 636(m)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

5 “(14) CREDIT REPORTING INFORMATION.—The
6 Administrator shall establish a process, for use by a
7 lender making a loan to a borrower under this sub-
8 section, under which the lender provides to the
9 major credit reporting agencies the information
10 about the borrower that is relevant to credit report-
11 ing, such as the payment activity of the borrower on
12 the loan.”.

13 **SEC. 3. FLEXIBLE CREDIT.**

14 Section 7(m) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
15 636(m)), as amended, is further amended, in each of para-
16 graphs (1)(B)(i), (6)(A), and (11)(B), by striking “short-
17 term,”.

18 **SEC. 4. INTERMEDIARY ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.**

19 Section 7(m)(2) of the Small Business Act (15
20 U.S.C. 636(m)(2)) is amended—

21 (1) in subparagraph (A) by striking “paragraph
22 (10)” and inserting “paragraph (11)”; and

23 (2) by amending subparagraph (B) to read as
24 follows:

25 “(B) has—

26 “(i) at least—

1 “(I) 1 year of experience making
2 microloans to startup, newly estab-
3 lished, or growing small business con-
4 cerns; or

5 “(II) 1 full-time employee who
6 has not less than 3 years experience
7 making microloans to startup, newly
8 established, or growing small business
9 concerns; and

10 “(ii) at least 1 year of experience pro-
11 viding, as an integral part of its microloan
12 program, intensive marketing, manage-
13 ment, and technical assistance to its bor-
14 rowers.”.

15 **SEC. 5. AVERAGE LOAN SIZE.**

16 Section 7(m) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
17 636(m)), as amended, is further amended, in each of para-
18 graphs (3)(F)(iii), (6)(C)(i), and (6)(C)(ii), by striking
19 “\$7,500” and inserting “\$10,000”.

20 **SEC. 6. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

21 Section 7(m)(4)(E) of the Small Business Act (15
22 U.S.C. 636(m)(4)(E)) is amended, in each of clauses (i)
23 and (ii), by striking “25 percent” and inserting “35 per-
24 cent”.

1 **SEC. 7. ENTREPRENEURS WITH DISABILITIES.**

2 Section 7(m)(1)(A)(i) of the Small Business Act (15
3 U.S.C. 636(m)(1)(A)(i)) is amended by inserting “dis-
4 abled,” before “and minority entrepreneurs”.

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