

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 1763

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and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 31 (legislative day, MAY 30), 2023

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO introduced the following bill; which was read twice and  
referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

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## A BILL

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Business Act, 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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Small Business Wild-  
5 fire Smoke Recovery Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF DISASTER.**

7 Section 3(k)(2) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.  
8 632(k)(2)) is amended—

9 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “and” at  
10 the end;

1           (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period  
2           at the end and inserting “; and”; and

3           (3) by adding at the end the following:

4           “(D) smoke.”.

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