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S. 2191

To establish the Native American Outreach Program of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 18, 2019

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

A BILL

To establish the Native American Outreach Program of the Small Business Administration, 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 “Native American Busi-
5 ness Outreach Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. NATIVE AMERICAN OUTREACH PROGRAM.**

7 The Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 631 et seq.) is
8 amended—

9 (1) by redesignating section 49 (15 U.S.C. 631
10 note) as section 50; and

1 (2) by inserting after section 48 (48 U.S.C.
2 657u) the following:

3 **“SEC. 49. NATIVE AMERICAN OUTREACH PROGRAM.**

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall estab-
5 lish and carry out a Native American Outreach Program
6 to provide assistance to—

7 “(1) Native American communities, including
8 Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians; and

9 “(2) small business concerns owned by individ-
10 uals in those communities or Indian tribes.

11 “(b) ASSISTANCE.—In carrying out the Native Amer-
12 ican Outreach Program, the Administrator may—

13 “(1) provide training and educational outreach
14 through business development workshops and entre-
15 preneurial classes to small business concerns owned
16 by Indian tribes or Native Americans, including
17 Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians;

18 “(2) hold Tribal consultations to solicit input
19 and provide interested parties an opportunity to dis-
20 cuss potential modifications to programs of the Ad-
21 ministration, including the program under section
22 8(a) and the HUBZone program under section 31;
23 and

24 “(3) provide such other assistance as the Ad-
25 ministrator may determine necessary to assist Na-

1 tive American communities to implement economic
2 and business development strategies and actions to
3 improve entrepreneurship and long-term job growth.

4 “(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
5 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
6 \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year there-
7 after.”.

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