

117<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 7664

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## AN ACT

To amend the Small Business Act to include requirements relating to graduates of career and technical education programs or programs of study for small business development centers and women's business centers, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Supporting Small  
3 Business and Career and Technical Education Act of  
4 2022”.

5 **SEC. 2. INCLUSION OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDU-**  
6 **CATION.**

7 (a) DEFINITION.—Section 3 of the Small Business  
8 Act (15 U.S.C. 632) is amended by adding at the end the  
9 following new subsection:

10 “(gg) CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.—The  
11 term ‘career and technical education’ has the meaning  
12 given the term in section 3 of the Carl D. Perkins Career  
13 and Technical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2302).”.

14 (b) SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS.—  
15 Section 21(c)(3) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.  
16 648(c)(1)) is amended—

17 (1) in subparagraph (T), by striking “and” at  
18 the end;

19 (2) in clause (v) of the first subparagraph (U)  
20 (relating to succession planning), by striking the pe-  
21 riod at the end and inserting a semicolon;

22 (3) in second subparagraph (U) (relating to  
23 training on domestic and international intellectual  
24 property protections)—

25 (A) in clause (ii)(II), by striking the period  
26 at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

1 (B) by redesignating such subparagraph as  
2 subparagraph (V); and

3 (4) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
4 paragraphs:

5 “(W) assisting small businesses in hiring  
6 graduates from career and technical education  
7 programs or programs of study; and

8 “(X) assisting graduates of career and  
9 technical education programs or programs of  
10 study in starting up a small business concern.”.

11 (c) WOMEN’S BUSINESS CENTERS.—Section 29(b) of  
12 the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 656(b)) is amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at the  
14 end;

15 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at  
16 the end and inserting a semicolon; and

17 (3) by adding at the end the following new  
18 paragraphs:

19 “(4) assistance for small business concerns to  
20 hire graduates from career and technical education  
21 programs or programs of study; and

1           “(5) assistance for graduates of career and  
2           technical education programs or programs of study  
3           to start up a small business concern.”.

Passed the House of Representatives June 8, 2022.

Attest:

*Clerk.*



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