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H. R. 3394

To amend the Securities Act of 1933 to codify certain qualifications of individuals as accredited investors for purposes of the securities laws.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HILL of Arkansas (for himself and Mr. VARGAS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

A BILL

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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 “Fair Investment Op-
5 portunities for Professional Experts Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF ACCREDITED INVESTOR.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2(a)(15) of the Securities
8 Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77b(a)(15)) is amended—

9 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (i) and (ii)
10 as subparagraphs (A) and (F), respectively; and

(2) in subparagraph (A) (as so redesignated),
by striking “; or” and inserting a semicolon, and in-
serting after such subparagraph the following:

“(B) with respect to a proposed sale of a
security, any natural person whose individual
net worth, or joint net worth with that person’s
spouse or spousal equivalent, at the time of
such sale, exceeds \$1,000,000 (which amount,
along with the amounts set forth in subpara-
graph (C), shall be adjusted for inflation by the
Commission every 5 years to the nearest
\$10,000 to reflect the change in the Consumer
Price Index for All Urban Consumers published
by the Bureau of Labor Statistics) where, for
purposes of calculating net worth under this
subparagraph—

“(i) the person’s primary residence
shall not be included as an asset;

“(ii) indebtedness that is secured by
the person’s primary residence, up to the
estimated fair market value of the primary
residence at the time of such sale, shall not
be included as a liability (except that if the
amount of such indebtedness outstanding
at the time of such sale exceeds the

1 amount outstanding 60 days before such
2 time, other than as a result of the acquisi-
3 tion of the primary residence, the amount
4 of such excess shall be included as a liabil-
5 ity); and

6 “(iii) indebtedness that is secured by
7 the person’s primary residence in excess of
8 the estimated fair market value of the pri-
9 mary residence at the time of such sale
10 shall be included as a liability;

11 “(C) any natural person who had an indi-
12 vidual income in excess of \$200,000 in each of
13 the 2 most recent years or joint income with
14 that person’s spouse or spousal equivalent in
15 excess of \$300,000 in each of those years and
16 has a reasonable expectation of reaching the
17 same income level in the current year;

18 “(D) any natural person who is—

19 “(i) currently licensed or registered as
20 a broker or investment adviser by the
21 Commission, a self-regulatory organization
22 (as defined in section 3(a)(26) of the Secu-
23 rities Exchange Act of 1934), or the secu-
24 rities division of a State, the District of
25 Columbia, or a territory of the United

1 States or the equivalent division respon-
2 sible for licensing or registration of individ-
3 uals in connection with securities activities;
4 and

5 “(ii) in good standing with respect to
6 such licence or registration;

7 “(E) any natural person the Commission
8 determines, by regulation, to have demonstrable
9 education or job experience to qualify such per-
10 son as having professional knowledge of a sub-
11 ject related to a particular investment, and
12 whose education or job experience is verified by
13 a self-regulatory organization (as defined in sec-
14 tion 3(a)(26) of the Securities Exchange Act of
15 1934); or”.

16 (b) RULEMAKING.—Not later than 180 days after the
17 date of enactment of this Act, the Securities and Ex-
18 change Commission shall revise the definition of accred-
19 ited investor under Regulation D (17 CFR 230.500 et
20 seq.) to conform with the amendments made by subsection
21 (a).

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