

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 9885

To clarify the applicability of certain provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act to certain actions of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 22, 2026

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Maintaining Small
5 Business Engagement Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. APPLICABILITY OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES**
2 **ACT TO CERTAIN ACTIONS OF THE SMALL**
3 **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.**

4 Notwithstanding section 553(a)(2) of title 5, United
5 States Code, such section 553 shall apply with respect to
6 a rulemaking of the Small Business Administration that
7 involves a matter relating to public property, loans, grants,
8 benefits, or contracts.

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