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# S. 2777

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Mr. WARNER, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Mr. KELLY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mrs. SHAHEEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## 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 The Act may be cited as the “Small Business Restor-  
5 ing Equity for Local Importers through Economic Fair-  
6 ness Act” or the “Small Business RELIEF Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXEMPTION AND REFUNDS FOR SMALL BUSINESS**  
2 **CONCERNS FROM DUTIES IMPOSED PURSU-**  
3 **ANT TO NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARA-**  
4 **TION.**

5 (a) EXEMPTION.—Duties imposed pursuant to Exec-  
6 utive Order 14257 (90 Fed. Reg. 15041) shall not apply  
7 with respect to goods imported by or for the use of a small  
8 business concern.

9 (b) REFUNDS.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
10 of the enactment of this Act, the President shall refund  
11 the amount of any duties paid pursuant to Executive  
12 Order 14257 (90 Fed. Reg. 15041) on goods imported by  
13 or for the use of a small business concern.

14 (c) SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN DEFINED.—In this  
15 section, the term “small business concern” has the mean-  
16 ing given that term in section 3 of the Small Business  
17 Act (15 U.S.C. 632).

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