## H. R. 2961

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 25, 2001

Mr. Lafalce (for himself, Mrs. Maloney of New York, Mr. Maloney of Connecticut, Ms. Hooley of Oregon, Ms. Lee, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Hinojosa, Mr. Ross, Mr. Rangel, Mr. Bonior, Mr. Moran of Virginia, Mrs. Meek of Florida, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Jones of North Carolina, and Mrs. Morella) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

## 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,

## 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 2 This Act may be cited as the "Terrorist Disaster Re-
- 3 lief for Small Businesses Act".
- 4 SEC. 2. LOANS FOR ECONOMIC INJURY SUFFERED AS A RE-
- 5 SULT OF THE TERRORIST ATTACKS ON SEP-
- 6 **TEMBER 11, 2001.**
- 7 (a) In General.—For purposes of section 7(b)(2)
- 8 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(b)(2)), the Ad-
- 9 ministrator of the Small Business Administration shall
- 10 treat the terrorist attacks on the United States that oc-
- 11 curred on September 11, 2001, as a disaster in response
- 12 to which the Administrator is authorized to make loans
- 13 under such section.
- 14 (b) Area Affected.—For purposes of making loans
- 15 described in subsection (a), the entire United States shall
- 16 be treated as the area affected by the terrorist attacks.
- 17 (c) Eligibility of Other Business Concerns.—
- 18 For purposes of making loans described in subsection (a),
- 19 the Administrator may, if the Administrator determines
- 20 it to be necessary and appropriate, waive any size stand-
- 21 ard established under section 3(a)(2) of the Small Busi-
- 22 ness Act (15 U.S.C. 632(a)(2)) that would otherwise pre-
- 23 clude a business concern from being an eligible recipient
- 24 of a loan under subsection (a).