### 112TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2807

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

August 5, 2011

Mr. RICHMOND (for himself and Ms. Clarke of New York) 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 "Small Business Lend-
- 5 ing to Entrepreneurs for Growth in Underserved Popu-

1 lations Act of 2011" or the "Small Business Leg-Up Act2 of 2011".

#### 3 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

- 4 The Congress finds the following:
- 5 (1) Families and small businesses in under-6 served areas have for generations been unable to ac-7 cess affordable credit.
  - (2) The financial crisis of 2008 only served to exacerbate efforts by entrepreneurs to access capital for the purpose of creating jobs and improving economic outcomes in the community.
  - (3) Small business investments revitalize communities by creating jobs but also contributing to the local tax base, which helps finance investments in schools, hospitals, infrastructure, and public safety.
  - (4) The Community Development Financial Institutions Fund is well placed to make careful, targeted investments in community development financial institutions for the purposes of improving economic outcomes for underserved families across America.
  - (5) Providing the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund with a robust capital infusion will make efficient use of taxpayer dollars, by

- 1 leveraging Federal investment for the purpose of
- 2 small business lending.
- 3 SEC. 3. TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM SMALL BUSINESS
- 4 LENDING FUND TO THE CDFI FUND.
- 5 (a) Unobligated Funds.—On the date of the expi-
- 6 ration of the investment authority described under section
- 7 4109(a) of the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010, the Sec-
- 8 retary shall transfer all unobligated funds in the Small
- 9 Business Lending Fund to the Community Development
- 10 Financial Institutions Fund.
- 11 (b) Proceeds.—Section 4103(b)(3) of the Small
- 12 Business Jobs Act of 2010 is amended to read as follows:
- 13 "(3) Proceeds transferred to cdfi
- 14 FUND.—All funds received by the Secretary in con-
- 15 nection with purchases made pursuant to paragraph
- 16 (1), including principal, interest payments, dividend
- payments, and proceeds from the sale of any finan-
- cial instrument, shall be transferred to the Commu-
- nity Development Financial Institutions Fund.".
- 20 SEC. 4. SMALL BUSINESS CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM.
- 21 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Riegle Community Develop-
- 22 ment and Regulatory Improvement Act of 1994 is amend-
- 23 ed by adding after section 108 the following new section:

1	"SEC. 108A. SMALL BUSINESS CAPITAL INVESTMENT PRO-
2	GRAM TO INCREASE CREDIT AVAILABILITY
3	FOR SMALL BUSINESSES.
4	"(a) Small Business Revolving Loan Pro-
5	GRAM.—
6	"(1) In general.—Using amounts described
7	under subsection (b), the Administrator shall carry
8	out a Small Business Capital Investment Program
9	('Program') to make capital investments in eligible
10	community development financial institutions in
11	order to increase the availability of credit for small
12	businesses.
13	"(2) STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAM.—To the
14	extent practicable, the Administrator shall carry out
15	the Program in the same manner as the Small Busi-
16	ness Lending Fund Program authorized under sec-
17	tion 4103(a)(2) of the Small Business Jobs Act of
18	2010, except that—
19	"(A) all funds received by the Adminis-
20	trator in connection with purchases made under
21	the Program, including principal, interest pay-
22	ments, dividend payments, and proceeds from
23	the sale of any financial instrument, shall be
24	deposited into the Fund;
25	"(B) eligible community development fi-
26	nancial institutions may apply to receive a cap-

ital investment from the Fund in an amount not exceeding 10 percent of total assets, or such other percentage as the Administrator determines to be appropriate; and

> "(C) the authority to make capital investments in eligible community development financial institutions shall continue so long as amounts described under subsection (b) are available to make such investments.

### "(b) Funding.—

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- "(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, amounts deposited into the Fund pursuant to section 4(a) of the Small Business Leg-Up Act of 2011, section 4103(b)(3) of the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010, or subsection (a)(2)(A) shall only be available to carry out the Program established under subsection (a).
- "(2) Administration costs.—Interest payments received under subsection (a)(2)(A) may be used to pay for the administrative costs of carrying out the Program.
- "(3) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
  There is authorized to be appropriated to the Administrator \$4,000,000 to carry out the Program.

- 1 "(c) Rulemaking.—The Administrator may issue
- 2 such regulations as the Administrator determines to be ap-
- 3 propriate to carry out this section.
- 4 "(d) Eligible Community Development Finan-
- 5 CIAL INSTITUTION DEFINED .—For purposes of this sec-
- 6 tion, the term 'eligible community development financial
- 7 institution' means a community development financial in-
- 8 stitution with assets of \$10,000,000,000 or less, as re-
- 9 ported in audited financial statements.".
- 10 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
- 11 for the Riegle Community Development and Regulatory
- 12 Improvement Act of 1994 is amended by inserting after
- 13 the item relating to section 108 the following new item:

"108A. Small Business Capital Investment Program to increase credit availability for small businesses.".

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