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114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION**S. 967**

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 15, 2015

Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mrs. FISCHER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. PETERS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

JUNE 10, 2015

Reported by Mr. VITTER, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

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 “Communicating Lend-
5 er Activity Reports from the Small Business Administra-
6 tion Act” or the “CLEAR SBA Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SBA LENDER ACTIVITY INDEX.**

2 Section 4 of the Small Business Act (~~15 U.S.C. 633~~)
 3 is amended by adding at the end the following:

4 “(g) SBA LENDER ACTIVITY INDEX.—

5 “(1) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term
 6 ‘covered loan’ means a loan made or debenture
 7 issued under this Act or the Small Business Invest-
 8 ment Act of 1958 (~~15 U.S.C. 661 et seq.~~) by a pri-
 9 vate individual or entity.

10 “(2) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 6 months
 11 after the date of enactment of this subsection, the
 12 Administrator shall make publicly available on the
 13 website of the Administration a user-friendly data-
 14 base of information relating to lenders making cov-
 15 ered loans (to be known as the ‘Lender Activity
 16 Index’).

17 “(3) DATA INCLUDED.—

18 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The database made
 19 available under paragraph (2) shall include, for
 20 each lender making a covered loan—

21 “(i) the name of the lender;

22 “(ii) the number of covered loans
 23 made by the lender;

24 “(iii) the total dollar amount of cov-
 25 ered loans made by the lender;

1 “(iv) a list of each ZIP Code in which
2 a recipient of a covered loan made by the
3 lender is located;

4 “(v) a list of the industries of the re-
5 cipients to which the lender made a cov-
6 ered loan;

7 “(vi) whether the covered loan is for
8 an existing business or a new business;

9 “(vii) the number and total dollar
10 amount of covered loans made by the lend-
11 er to—

12 “(I) small business concerns
13 owned and controlled by women;

14 “(II) socially and economically
15 disadvantaged small business concerns
16 (as defined in section 8(a)(4)(A)); and

17 “(III) small business concerns
18 owned and controlled by veterans; and

19 “(viii) whether the covered loan was
20 made under section 7(a) or under the pro-
21 gram to provide financing to small busi-
22 ness concerns through guarantees of loans
23 under title V of the Small Business Invest-
24 ment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 695 et seq.).

1 “(B) INCORPORATION OF DATA.—The Ad-
2 ministrators shall—

3 “(i) include in the database made
4 available under paragraph (2) information
5 relating to covered loans made during fis-
6 cal years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013,
7 2014, and 2015; and

8 “(ii) incorporate information relating
9 to covered loans on an ongoing basis.

10 “(C) PERIOD OF DATA AVAILABILITY.—

11 The Administrator shall retain information re-
12 lating to a covered loan in the database made
13 available under paragraph (2) until not earlier
14 than the end of the third fiscal year beginning
15 after the fiscal year during which the covered
16 loan was made.”.

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10 *end of the third fiscal year beginning after the*
11 *fiscal year during which the covered loan was*
12 *made.*

13 “(4) *NO ADDITIONAL BURDENS ON LENDERS.—*
14 *The Administrator may not require lenders to submit*
15 *additional information or otherwise increase burdens*
16 *on lenders in order to comply with this subsection.”.*

17 “(b) *SENSE OF CONGRESS RELATING TO USING EXIST-*
18 *ING FUNDS.—It is the sense of Congress that no additional*
19 *funds shall be made available to carry out the amendments*
20 *made by this Act.*

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