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To require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to report on small business recovery and the impact of an hourly Federal minimum wage increase, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 9, 2021

Ms. VAN DUYNE (for herself, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. FITZGERALD, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. GARBARINO, and Mr. STAUBER) 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Ensuring Economic
5 Recovery Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION REPORTS ON**
2 **SMALL BUSINESS RECOVERY AND THE IM-**
3 **PACT OF AN HOURLY FEDERAL MINIMUM**
4 **WAGE INCREASE.**

5 (a) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after
6 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator
7 of the Small Business Administration shall submit to the
8 Committee on Small Business of the House of Representa-
9 tives and the Committee on Small Business and Entrepre-
10 neurship of the Senate a report on the recovery of small
11 business concerns (as defined under section 3 of the Small
12 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632)) from the coronavirus pan-
13 demic, including the effects of an increase in the Federal
14 minimum hourly wage to \$15—

15 (1) disaggregated by industry; and

16 (2) on such concerns that have less than 500
17 employees.

18 (b) SUBSEQUENT REPORT.—Not later than 180 days
19 after the date on which a law is enacted that proposes
20 increasing the Federal minimum hourly wage to \$15 or
21 greater, the Administrator of the Small Business Adminis-
22 tration shall submit to the Committee on Small Business
23 of the House of Representatives and the Committee on
24 Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate a
25 study on the effect of such an increase on small business

1 concerns as compared to small business concerns that pay
2 the current minimum wage. Such report shall include—

3 (1) an analysis of the net effect on prices, or
4 costs of goods or services, provided by such con-
5 cerns, disaggregated by industry;

6 (2) a description of the change in levels of em-
7 ployment and work hours, including any changes in
8 the age of employees and in the number of part-time
9 employees;

10 (3) the total number of job losses associated
11 with the increase to the Federal minimum hourly
12 wage, as reported by such concerns; and

13 (4) an analysis of any increase in automation
14 associated with such increase.

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