H. R. 7622

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 2022

Mr. Crow (for himself, Mr. Fitzgerald, Ms. Houlahan, and Mr. Garbarino) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Small Business Workforce Pipeline Act of 2022”.

SEC. 2. SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM ASSISTANCE.

Section 21(c)(3) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 648(c)(1)) is amended—
(1) in subparagraph (T), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in clause (v) of the first subparagraph (U) (relating to succession planning), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon;

(3) in second subparagraph (U) (relating to training on domestic and international intellectual property protections)—

(A) in clause (ii)(II), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”;

(B) by redesignating such subparagraph as subparagraph (V); and

(4) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(W) providing information and assistance to small business concerns, including by disseminating relevant information from the Department of Labor and other Federal agencies, on how to establish and improve—

“(i) work-based learning opportunities (as defined in section 3 of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2302));

“(ii) apprenticeship programs registered under the Act of August 16, 1937
(50 Stat. 664, chapter 663; commonly known as the ‘National Apprenticeship Act’; 29 U.S.C. 50 et seq.);

“(iii) pre-apprenticeship programs;

and

“(iv) job training programs.”.