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H. R. 5598

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 15, 2021

Mr. Sherman (for himself and Mr. Huizenga) 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 "Access to Small Busi-
- 5 ness Investor Capital Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO ACQUIRED FUND FEES AND EX-
- 7 PENSES REPORTING ON INVESTMENT COM-
- 8 PANY REGISTRATION STATEMENTS.
- 9 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

- 1 (1) ACQUIRED FUND.—The term "Acquired 2 Fund" has the meaning given the term in Forms N– 3 1A, N–2, and N–3.
- 4 (2) ACQUIRED FUND FEES AND EXPENSES.—
 5 The term "Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses"
 6 means the Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses sub7 caption in the Fee Table Disclosure.
 - (3) Business development company.—The term "business development company" has the meaning given the term in section 2(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a–2(a)).
 - (4) FEE TABLE DISCLOSURE.—The term "Fee Table Disclosure" means the fee table described in Item 3 of Form N–1A, Item 3 of Form N–2, or Item 4 of Form N–3 (as applicable, and with respect to each, in any successor fee table disclosure that the Securities and Exchange Commission adopts).
 - (5) FORM N-1A.—The term "Form N-1A" means the form described in section 274.11A of title 17, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.
 - (6) FORM N-2.—The term "Form N-2" means the form described in section 274.11a-1 of title 17, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.

- 1 (7) FORM N-3.—The term "Form N-3" means
 2 the form described in section 274.11b of title 17,
 3 Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.
 5 (8) REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY.—The
- term "registered investment company" means an investment company, as defined under section 2(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under such Act.
- 11 (b) EXCLUDING BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMPA12 NIES FROM ACQUIRED FUND FEES AND EXPENSES.—A
 13 registered investment company may, on any investment
 14 company registration statement filed pursuant to section
 15 8(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C.
 16 80a-8(b))—
 - (1) omit from the calculation of Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses those fees and expenses that the investment company incurred indirectly as a result of investment in shares of one or more Acquired Funds that is a business development company; and
- 22 (2) instead disclose in a footnote to the Fee 23 Table Disclosure those fees and expenses that para-

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- 1 graph (1) describes, calculated according to the Ac-
- 2 quired Fund Fees and Expenses formula.

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