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# H. R. 1718

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.

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## 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

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## 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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