

HR 4231

Small Business Advocacy Improvement Act of 2002

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

Introduced: Apr 16, 2002

Current Status: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 485.

Latest Action: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 485. (Jul 8, 2002)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Manzullo, Donald A. [R-IL-16]

Party: Republican • **State:** IL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Apr 16, 2002
Rep. Bartlett, Roscoe G. [R-MD-6]	R · MD		May 2, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Small Business Committee	House	Reported By	May 2, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 21, 2002)

Small Business Advocacy Improvement Act of 2002 - Requires appointment to the position of Chief Counsel of the Office of Advocacy of the Small Business Administration (SBA) without regard to political affiliation and on the basis of fitness to perform duties. Prohibits appointment of an individual who has served as an SBA officer or employee within the last five years.

Requires the Office to: (1) recommend methods for the delivery of financial assistance to small businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, women, and veterans; (2) make recommendations and submit relevant reports to the President, the chairmen and ranking members of the congressional small business committees, and the SBA Administrator; (3) maintain economic databases and make such information available to the Administrator and Congress; and (4) coordinate functions with the Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Enforcement Ombudsman.

Requires the Chief Counsel to submit annually to the Office of Management and Budget and the congressional small business and appropriations committees the Office's appropriation estimate and request. Requires each budget of the United States submitted by the President to include a separate statement of the amount of appropriations requested for the Office of Advocacy.

Authorizes the Chief Counsel to appoint two Deputy Chief Counsels, as well as regional advocates.

Requires the Administrator to provide the Office with appropriate office space, equipment, supplies, communications facilities, and personnel and maintenance services.

Requires the Chief Counsel to report at least annually to the President, specified congressional committees, and the Administrator on Federal agency regulatory flexibility exercised with respect to small businesses.

Increases, and extends through FY 2005, the authorization of appropriations for the Office.

Requires the Administrator (currently, the Chief Counsel) to conduct an SBA program for the development of rural small businesses engaged in tourism-related activities.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 8, 2002:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 485.
- **Jun 28, 2002:** Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **May 22, 2002:** Received in the Senate.
- **May 21, 2002:** Mr. Manzullo moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **May 21, 2002:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2784-2787)
- **May 21, 2002:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4231.
- **May 21, 2002:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H2784-2785)
- **May 21, 2002:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H2784-2785)
- **May 21, 2002:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 2, 2002:** Reported by the Committee on Small Business. H. Rept. 107-433.
- **May 2, 2002:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 255.
- **Apr 17, 2002:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 17, 2002:** Ordered to be Reported.
- **Apr 16, 2002:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 16, 2002:** Referred to the House Committee on Small Business.

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