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MADE in America Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 19, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Manufacturing Assistance, Development, and Education in America Act or MADE in America Act - Amends the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to define for such Acts the term "small manufacturer," the production facilities of which must be located in the United States.

Establishes in the Small Business Administration (SBA) the National Office for the Development of Small Manufacturers, to be administered by the Associate Administrator for Small Manufacturing. Requires the Associate Administrator to establish within the Office the Manufacturing Corps to focus on the education and training of the existing and potential small manufacturer workforce.

Directs the Administrator to award block grants to States to develop and implement manufacturing training programs. Authorizes the Administrator to make grants and enter into agreements to expand business-to-business relationships between large and small manufacturers. Requires the Associate Administrator to establish a mentor-protege program that pairs small manufacturers with larger, more experienced manufacturers.

Provides increased access to SBA loans for small manufacturers. Authorizes the Administrator to make small business disaster loans (with limits) to small manufacturers, and to refinance such loans or business debts of such manufacturers that were outstanding on the day of the disaster.

Authorizes: (1) SBA-guaranteed loans for increasing the productive capacity of, or job creation or retention for, small manufacturers; and (2) small business investment companies to make SBA-guaranteed loans to small manufacturers.

Includes small manufacturers under the SBA's new market venture capital program.

Authorizes the Administrator to make grants from the Small Business Foreign Patent Protection Grant Fund to assist small businesses in seeking foreign patent protection.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 18, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 18, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S15069-15072)
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