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Small Business Energy Emergency Relief Act of 2008

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Committee Activity

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Summary (as of Jun 27, 2008)

Small Business Energy Emergency Relief Act of 2008 - Amends the Small Business Act to authorize the Small Business Administration to make disaster loans to assist small businesses that have suffered or are likely to suffer substantial economic injury as the result of a significant increase in the price of heating fuel occurring on or after October 1, 2007. Prohibits such loan from being made if the total amount outstanding and committed to the borrower would exceed \$1.5 million, unless the borrower is a major source of employment in its surrounding area.

Amends the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make loans to farm operations that qualify as a small business and that have or are likely to suffer substantial economic injury on or after October 1, 2007, as the result of a significant increase in energy costs in connection with an energy emergency declared by the President or the Secretary.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 27, 2008: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 27, 2008: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6328-6329)
- Jun 27, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6329-6330)