

S 3531

Small Business Relief From Communicable Disease Induced Economic Hardship Act of 2020

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Commerce

Introduced: Mar 18, 2020

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. (Mar 18, 2020)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/3531>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV] | D · NV | | Mar 18, 2020 |
| Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV] | D · NV | | May 4, 2020 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee | Senate | Referred To | Mar 18, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 HR 6040 | Identical bill | Feb 28, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Small Business. |

Summary (as of Mar 18, 2020)

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This bill expands the definition of a *disaster* for which the Small Business Administration (SBA) may provide disaster loans to small business concerns to include communicable diseases for which the government issues a travel alert or travel warning, and it authorizes the SBA to make interest free disaster loans to small businesses affected by a disaster for which the government issues a public health emergency.

Actions Timeline

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