

## HR 8211

504 Modernization and Small Manufacturer Enhancement Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Commerce

**Introduced:** Sep 11, 2020

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. (Dec 7, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/8211>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** MN • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Chabot, Steve [R-OH-1]	R · OH		Sep 11, 2020
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Dec 2, 2020
Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Dec 2, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 7, 2020
Small Business Committee	House	Markup By	Sep 16, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Commerce

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

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This bill modifies the Small Business Administration (SBA) 504 Loan Program, which provides a small business with SBA financing—through a certified development company (CDC) intermediary—for expansion or modernization.

Specifically, the bill adds policy goals, at least one of which a CDC must demonstrate to be eligible for assistance. These include (1) enhancing the ability of a small business to reduce costs by using energy efficient products and generating renewable energy, and (2) aiding the revitalization of any area for which a disaster has been declared or determined. The bill also authorizes a CDC to take specified actions to facilitate the closing of a 504 loan, such as correcting borrower or lender information on loan documents or reallocating up to 10% of the cost of a project, and it establishes an express loan closing program for a 504 loan that is less than \$500,000.

Further, the bill authorizes a CDC to refinance up to 100% of costs for expansion projects, and it establishes specified requirements for refinancing projects that do not involve expansion. The bill also modifies the requirements for projects to construct a new facility or to acquire, renovate, or reconstruct an existing building.

For small manufacturers, the bill (1) increases the maximum loan amount from \$5.5 million to \$6.5 million, (2) reduces the amount that they must contribute to project costs, (3) increases job retention requirements, and (4) revises collateral requirements. Further, each SBA district office must partner with a resource partner to provide certain training for small manufacturers.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 7, 2020:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
- **Dec 3, 2020:** Ms. Velazquez moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Dec 3, 2020:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H6072-6076)
- **Dec 3, 2020:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 8211.
- **Dec 3, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H6072-6075)
- **Dec 3, 2020:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H6072-6075)
- **Dec 3, 2020:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 16, 2020:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 16, 2020:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Sep 11, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 11, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Small Business.