

S 1684

Federal Home Loan Banks' Mission Implementation Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		May 18, 2021
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		May 18, 2021
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jul 29, 2021
Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]	D · CA		Jul 30, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 18, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 3323	Identical bill	May 18, 2021: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Small Business, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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This bill generally expands the ability of Federal Home Loan Banks (FHLBs) to provide advances and grants for activities related to small businesses, affordable housing, and community development. The 11 regional FHLBs serve as government-sponsored enterprises to support mortgage lending and related community investment through advances to member financial institutions. These advances are secured by assets such as mortgages and other loans.

Specifically, the bill allows FHLBs to provide advances that are secured by (1) loans guaranteed by the Small Business Administration, and (2) certain loans made in response to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and guaranteed or insured by the federal government.

The bill also expands the availability of advances to certain community development financial institutions and credit unions. It also gives the Federal Housing Finance Agency discretion in setting the average asset maximum for certain community financial institutions to qualify for an advance. However, this maximum must not be more than \$10 billion. Currently, a community financial institution must have less than \$1 billion in average total assets to qualify.

Furthermore, the bill exempts from taxation for two years after the conclusion of the COVID-19 emergency period certain municipal bonds guaranteed by an FHLB.

The bill also increases the percentage of earnings FHLBs must annually contribute to the Affordable Housing Program and sets aside a specified percentage to benefit tribes under this program.

Actions Timeline

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