

## HR 5361

### Women's Business Centers Improvement Act of 2023

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Commerce

**Introduced:** Sep 8, 2023

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Small Business.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Small Business. (Sep 8, 2023)

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Small Business Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 8, 2023

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Commerce

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 2184	Related bill	Nov 15, 2023: Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Hearings held.

### Summary (as of Sep 8, 2023)

#### Women's Business Centers Improvement Act of 2023

This bill reauthorizes the Women's Business Center Program through FY2027, raises the cap on individual center grants, establishes an accreditation program for grant recipients, and revises the duties of the Office of Women's Business Ownership.

Specifically, the bill modifies the Women's Business Center Program to enable the Small Business Administration (SBA) to provide initial and continuation grants to eligible entities to operate women's business centers for the benefit of women-owned small businesses. The SBA must also publish standards for a program to accredit entities that receive grants from the Women's Business Center Program, and such entities' receipt of continuation grants shall be contingent upon their obtaining accreditation.

### Actions Timeline

- Sep 8, 2023: Introduced in House
- Sep 8, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on Small Business.