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To establish or modify requirements relating to minority depository institutions, community development financial institutions, and impact banks, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. MEEKS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Ensuring Diversity in Community Banking Act of
6 2019”.

7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
8 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Sense of Congress on funding the loan-loss reserve fund for small dollar loans.
- Sec. 3. Definitions.
- Sec. 4. Inclusion of women’s banks in the definition of minority depository institution.
- Sec. 5. Establishment of impact bank designation.
- Sec. 6. Minority Depository Institutions Advisory Committees.
- Sec. 7. Federal deposits in minority depository institutions.
- Sec. 8. Minority Bank Deposit Program.
- Sec. 9. Diversity report and best practices.
- Sec. 10. Investments in minority depository institutions and impact banks.
- Sec. 11. Requirement to mentor minority depository institutions or community development financial institutions to serve as a depository or financial agent.
- Sec. 12. Custodial deposit program for covered minority depository institutions and impact banks.
- Sec. 13. Streamlined community development financial institution applications and reporting.
- Sec. 14. Task force on lending to small business concerns.

1 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON FUNDING THE LOAN-LOSS**
2 **RESERVE FUND FOR SMALL DOLLAR LOANS.**

3 The sense of Congress is the following:

4 (1) The Community Development Financial In-
5 stitutions Fund (the “CDFI Fund”) is an agency of
6 the Department of the Treasury, and was estab-
7 lished by the Riegle Community Development and
8 Regulatory Improvement Act of 1994. The mission
9 of the CDFI Fund is “to expand economic oppor-
10 tunity for underserved people and communities by
11 supporting the growth and capacity of a national
12 network of community development lenders, inves-
13 tors, and financial service providers”. A community
14 development financial institution (a “CDFI”) is a
15 specialized financial institution serving low-income
16 communities and a Community Development Entity

1 (a “CDE”) is a domestic corporation or partnership
2 that is an intermediary vehicle for the provision of
3 loans, investments, or financial counseling in low-in-
4 come communities. The CDFI Fund certifies CDFIs
5 and CDEs. Becoming a certified CDFI or CDE al-
6 lows organizations to participate in various CDFI
7 Fund programs as follows:

8 (A) The Bank Enterprise Award Program,
9 which provides FDIC-insured depository institu-
10 tions awards for a demonstrated increase in
11 lending and investments in distressed commu-
12 nities and CDFIs.

13 (B) The CDFI Program, which provides
14 Financial and Technical Assistance awards to
15 CDFIs to reinvest in the CDFI, and to build
16 the capacity of the CDFI, including financing
17 product development and loan loss reserves.

18 (C) The Native American CDFI Assistance
19 Program, which provides CDFIs and spon-
20 soring entities Financial and Technical Assist-
21 ance awards to increase lending and grow the
22 number of CDFIs owned by Native Americans
23 to help build capacity of such CDFIs.

24 (D) The New Market Tax Credit Program,
25 which provides tax credits for making equity in-

1 vestments in CDEs that stimulate capital in-
2 vestments in low-income communities.

3 (E) The Capital Magnet Fund, which pro-
4 vides awards to CDFIs and nonprofit affordable
5 housing organizations to finance affordable
6 housing solutions and related economic develop-
7 ment activities.

8 (F) The Bond Guarantee Program, a
9 source of long-term, patient capital for CDFIs
10 to expand lending and investment capacity for
11 community and economic development purposes.

12 (2) The Department of the Treasury is author-
13 ized to create multi-year grant programs designed to
14 encourage low-to-moderate income individuals to es-
15 tablish accounts at federally insured banks, and to
16 improve low-to-moderate income individuals' access
17 to such accounts on reasonable terms.

18 (3) Under this authority, grants to participants
19 in CDFI Fund programs may be used for loan-loss
20 reserves and to establish small-dollar loan programs
21 by subsidizing related losses. These grants also allow
22 for the providing recipients with the financial coun-
23 seling and education necessary to conduct trans-
24 actions and manage their accounts. These loans pro-
25 vide low-cost alternatives to payday loans and other

1 nontraditional forms of financing that often impose
2 excessive interest rates and fees on borrowers, and
3 lead millions of Americans to fall into debt traps.
4 Small-dollar loans can only be made pursuant to
5 terms, conditions, and practices that are reasonable
6 for the individual consumer obtaining the loan.

7 (4) Program participation is restricted to eligi-
8 ble institutions, which are limited to organizations
9 listed in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
10 Code and exempt from tax under 501(a) of such
11 Code, federally insured depository institutions, com-
12 munity development financial institutions and State,
13 local, or Tribal government entities.

14 (5) Since its founding, the CDFI Fund has
15 awarded over \$3,300,000,000 to CDFIs and CDEs,
16 allocated \$54,000,000,000 in tax credits, and
17 \$1,510,000,000 in bond guarantees. According to
18 the CDFI Fund, some programs attract as much as
19 \$10 in private capital for every \$1 invested by the
20 CDFI Fund. The Administration and the Congress
21 should prioritize appropriation of funds for the loan
22 loss reserve fund and technical assistance programs
23 administered by the Community Development Finan-
24 cial Institution Fund, as included in the version of
25 the “Financial Services and General Government

1 Appropriations Act, 2020” (H.R. 3351) that passed
2 the House of Representatives on June, 26, 2019.

3 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

4 In this Act:

5 (1) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL IN-
6 STITUTION.—The term “community development fi-
7 nancial institution” has the meaning given under
8 section 103 of the Riegle Community Development
9 and Regulatory Improvement Act of 1994 (12
10 U.S.C. 4702).

11 (2) MINORITY DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION.—The
12 term “minority depository institution” has the
13 meaning given under section 308 of the Financial
14 Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act
15 of 1989 (12 U.S.C. 1463 note), as amended by this
16 Act.

17 **SEC. 4. INCLUSION OF WOMEN’S BANKS IN THE DEFINITION**
18 **OF MINORITY DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION.**

19 Section 308(b)(1) of the Financial Institutions Re-
20 form, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (12 U.S.C.
21 1463 note) is amended—

22 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A), (B),
23 and (C) as clauses (i), (ii), and (iii), respectively;

24 (2) by striking “means any” and inserting the
25 following: “means—

1 “(A) any”; and

2 (3) in clause (iii) (as so redesignated), by strik-
3 ing the period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

4 (4) by inserting at the end the following new
5 subparagraph:

6 “(B) any bank described in clause (i), (ii),
7 or (iii) of section 19(b)(1)(A) of the Federal
8 Reserve Act—

9 “(i) more than 50 percent of the out-
10 standing shares of which are held by 1 or
11 more women; and

12 “(ii) the majority of the directors on
13 the board of directors of which are
14 women.”.

15 **SEC. 5. ESTABLISHMENT OF IMPACT BANK DESIGNATION.**

16 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Each appropriate Federal bank-
17 ing agency shall establish a program under which a deposi-
18 tory institution with total consolidated assets of less than
19 \$10,000,000,000 may elect to be designated as an impact
20 bank if 50 percent or more of the loans extended by such
21 covered bank are extended to low-income borrowers.

22 (b) **DESIGNATION.**—Based on data obtained through
23 examinations, an appropriate Federal banking agency
24 shall submit a notification to a depository institution stat-

1 ing that the depository institution qualifies for designation
2 as an impact bank.

3 (c) APPLICATION.—A depository institution that does
4 not receive a notification described in subsection (b) may
5 submit an application to the appropriate Federal banking
6 agency demonstrating that the depository institution
7 qualifies for designation as an impact bank.

8 (d) ADDITIONAL DATA OR OVERSIGHT.—A deposi-
9 tory institution is not required to submit additional data
10 to an appropriate Federal banking agency or be subject
11 to additional oversight from such an agency if such data
12 or oversight is related specifically and solely for consider-
13 ation for a designation as an impact bank.

14 (e) REMOVAL OF DESIGNATION.—If an appropriate
15 Federal banking agency determines that a depository in-
16 stitution designated as an impact bank no longer meets
17 the criteria for such designation, the appropriate Federal
18 banking agency shall rescind the designation and notify
19 the depository institution of such rescission.

20 (f) RECONSIDERATION OF DESIGNATION; AP-
21 PEALS.—A depository institution may—

22 (1) submit to the appropriate Federal banking
23 agency a request to reconsider a determination that
24 such depository institution no longer meets the cri-
25 teria for the designation; or

1 (2) file an appeal in accordance with procedures
2 established by the appropriate Federal banking
3 agency.

4 (g) RULEMAKING.—Not later than 1 year after the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the appropriate Federal
6 banking agencies shall jointly issue rules to carry out the
7 requirements of this section, including by providing a defi-
8 nition of a low-income borrower.

9 (h) FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE ACT DEFINI-
10 TIONS.—In this section, the terms “depository institution”
11 and “appropriate Federal banking agency” have the
12 meanings given such terms, respectively, in section 3 of
13 the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).

14 **SEC. 6. MINORITY DEPOSITORY INSTITUTIONS ADVISORY**
15 **COMMITTEES.**

16 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Each covered regulator shall
17 establish an advisory committee to be called the “Minority
18 Depository Institutions Advisory Committee”.

19 (b) DUTIES.—Each Minority Depository Institutions
20 Advisory Committee shall provide advice to the respective
21 covered regulator on meeting the goals established by sec-
22 tion 308 of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery,
23 and Enforcement Act of 1989 (12 U.S.C. 1463 note) to
24 preserve the present number of covered minority institu-
25 tions, preserve the minority character of minority-owned

1 institutions in cases involving mergers or acquisitions, pro-
2 vide technical assistance, and encourage the creation of
3 new covered minority institutions. The scope of the work
4 of each such Minority Depository Institutions Advisory
5 Committee shall include an assessment of the current con-
6 dition of covered minority institutions, what regulatory
7 changes or other steps the respective agencies may be able
8 to take to fulfill the requirements of such section 308, and
9 other issues of concern to minority depository institutions.

10 (c) MEMBERSHIP.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each Minority Depository
12 Institutions Advisory Committee shall consist of no
13 more than 10 members, who—

14 (A) shall serve for one two-year term;

15 (B) shall serve as a representative of a de-
16 pository institution or an insured credit union
17 with respect to which the respective covered
18 regulator is the covered regulator of such de-
19 pository institution or insured credit union; and

20 (C) shall not receive pay by reason of their
21 service on the advisory committee, but may re-
22 ceive travel or transportation expenses in ac-
23 cordance with section 5703 of title 5, United
24 States Code.

1 (2) DIVERSITY.—To the extent practicable,
2 each covered regulator shall ensure that the mem-
3 bers of Minority Depository Institutions Advisory
4 Committee of such agency reflect the diversity of de-
5 pository institutions.

6 (d) MEETINGS.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each Minority Depository
8 Institutions Advisory Committee shall meet not less
9 frequently than twice each year.

10 (2) INVITATIONS.—Each Minority Depository
11 Institutions Advisory Committee shall invite the at-
12 tendance at each meeting of the Minority Depository
13 Institutions Advisory Committee of—

14 (A) one member of the majority party and
15 one member of the minority party of the Com-
16 mittee on Financial Services of the House of
17 Representatives and the Committee on Bank-
18 ing, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate;
19 and

20 (B) one member of the majority party and
21 one member of the minority party of any rel-
22 evant subcommittees of such committees.

23 (e) NO TERMINATION OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES.—
24 The termination requirements under section 14 of the
25 Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app.) shall not

1 apply to a Minority Depository Institutions Advisory Com-
2 mittee established pursuant to this section.

3 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) COVERED REGULATOR.—The term “covered
5 regulator” means the Comptroller of the Currency,
6 the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Sys-
7 tem, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation,
8 and the National Credit Union Administration.

9 (2) COVERED MINORITY INSTITUTION.—The
10 term “covered minority institution” means a minor-
11 ity depository institution (as defined in section
12 308(b) of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recov-
13 ery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (12 U.S.C. 1463
14 note)) or a minority credit union (as defined in sec-
15 tion 1204(c) of the Financial Institutions Reform,
16 Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989, as amend-
17 ed by this Act).

18 (3) DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION.—The term “de-
19 pository institution” has the meaning given under
20 section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
21 U.S.C. 1813).

22 (4) INSURED CREDIT UNION.—The term “in-
23 sured credit union” has the meaning given in section
24 101 of the Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C.
25 1752).

1 (g) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 308(b) of the
2 Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforce-
3 ment Act of 1989 (12 U.S.C. 1463 note) is amended by
4 adding at the end the following new paragraph:

5 “(3) DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION.—The term ‘de-
6 pository institution’ means an ‘insured depository in-
7 stitution’ (as defined in section 3 of the Federal De-
8 posit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813)) and an in-
9 sured credit union (as defined in section 101 of the
10 Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1752)).”.

11 **SEC. 7. FEDERAL DEPOSITS IN MINORITY DEPOSITORY IN-**
12 **STITUTIONS.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 308 of the Financial In-
14 stitutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of
15 1989 (12 U.S.C. 1463 note) is amended—

16 (1) by adding at the end the following new sub-
17 section:

18 “(d) FEDERAL DEPOSITS.—The Secretary of the
19 Treasury shall ensure that deposits made by Federal agen-
20 cies in minority depository institutions and impact banks
21 are fully collateralized or fully insured, as determined by
22 the Secretary. Such deposits shall include reciprocal de-
23 posits as defined in section 337.6(e)(2)(v) of title 12, Code
24 of Federal Regulations (as in effect on March 6, 2019).”;
25 and

1 Program' to expand the use of minority banks and
2 minority credit unions.

3 “(2) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary of the
4 Treasury, acting through the Fiscal Service, shall—

5 “(A) on application by a depository institu-
6 tion or credit union, certify whether such depos-
7 itory institution or credit union is a minority
8 bank or minority credit union;

9 “(B) maintain and publish a list of all de-
10 pository institutions and credit unions that have
11 been certified pursuant to subparagraph (A);
12 and

13 “(C) periodically distribute the list de-
14 scribed in subparagraph (B) to—

15 “(i) all Federal departments and
16 agencies;

17 “(ii) interested State and local govern-
18 ments; and

19 “(iii) interested private sector compa-
20 nies.

21 “(3) INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ENTITIES ON
22 LIST.—A depository institution or credit union that,
23 on the date of the enactment of this section, has a
24 current certification from the Secretary of the
25 Treasury stating that such depository institution or

1 credit union is a minority bank or minority credit
2 union shall be included on the list described under
3 paragraph (2)(B).

4 “(b) EXPANDED USE AMONG FEDERAL DEPART-
5 MENTS AND AGENCIES.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after
7 the establishment of the program described in sub-
8 section (a), the head of each Federal department or
9 agency shall develop and implement standards and
10 procedures to ensure, to the maximum extent pos-
11 sible as permitted by law, the use of minority banks
12 and minority credit unions to serve the financial
13 needs of each such department or agency.

14 “(2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 2
15 years after the establishment of the program de-
16 scribed in subsection (a), and annually thereafter,
17 the head of each Federal department or agency shall
18 submit to Congress a report on the actions taken to
19 increase the use of minority banks and minority
20 credit unions to serve the financial needs of each
21 such department or agency.

22 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

23 “(1) CREDIT UNION.—The term ‘credit union’
24 has the meaning given the term ‘insured credit

1 union' in section 101 of the Federal Credit Union
2 Act (12 U.S.C. 1752).

3 “(2) DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION.—The term ‘de-
4 pository institution’ has the meaning given the term
5 ‘insured depository institution’ in section 3 of the
6 Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).

7 “(3) MINORITY.—The term ‘minority’ means
8 any Black American, Native American, Hispanic
9 American, or Asian American.

10 “(4) MINORITY BANK.—The term ‘minority
11 bank’ means a minority depository institution as de-
12 fined in section 308 of this Act.

13 “(5) MINORITY CREDIT UNION.—The term ‘mi-
14 nority credit union’ means any credit union for
15 which more than 50 percent of the membership (in-
16 cluding board members) of such credit union are mi-
17 nority individuals, as determined by the National
18 Credit Union Administration pursuant to section
19 308 of this Act.”.

20 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The following pro-
21 visions are amended by striking “1204(c)(3)” and insert-
22 ing “1204(c)”:

23 (1) Section 808(b)(3) of the Community Rein-
24 vestment Act of 1977 (12 U.S.C. 2907(b)(3)).

1 (2) Section 40(g)(1)(B) of the Federal Deposit
2 Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1831q(g)(1)(B)).

3 (3) Section 704B(h)(4) of the Equal Credit Op-
4 portunity Act (15 U.S.C. 1691c-2(h)(4)).

5 **SEC. 9. DIVERSITY REPORT AND BEST PRACTICES.**

6 (a) ANNUAL REPORT.—Each covered regulator shall
7 submit to Congress an annual report on diversity includ-
8 ing the following:

9 (1) Data, based on voluntary self-identification,
10 on the racial, ethnic, and gender composition of the
11 examiners of each covered regulator, disaggregated
12 by length of time served as an examiner.

13 (2) The status of any examiners of covered reg-
14 ulators, based on voluntary self-identification, as a
15 veteran.

16 (3) Whether any covered regulator, as of the
17 date on which the report required under this section
18 is submitted, has adopted a policy, plan, or strategy
19 to promote racial, ethnic, and gender diversity
20 among examiners of the covered regulator.

21 (4) Whether any special training is developed
22 and provided for examiners related specifically to
23 working with banks that serve communities that are
24 predominantly minorities, low income, or rural, and
25 the key focus of such training.

1 (b) BEST PRACTICES.—Each Office of Minority and
2 Women Inclusion of a covered regulator shall develop, pro-
3 vide to the head of the covered regulator, and make pub-
4 licly available best practices—

5 (1) for increasing the diversity of candidates
6 applying for examiner positions, including through
7 outreach efforts to recruit diverse candidate to apply
8 for entry-level examiner positions; and

9 (2) for retaining and providing fair consider-
10 ation for promotions within the examiner staff for
11 purposes of achieving diversity among examiners.

12 (c) COVERED REGULATOR DEFINED.—In this sec-
13 tion, the term “covered regulator” means the Comptroller
14 of the Currency, the Board of Governors of the Federal
15 Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corpora-
16 tion, and the National Credit Union Administration.

17 **SEC. 10. INVESTMENTS IN MINORITY DEPOSITORY INSTITU-**
18 **TIONS AND IMPACT BANKS.**

19 (a) CONTROL FOR CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS.—Section
20 7(j)(8)(B) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
21 U.S.C. 1817(j)(8)(B)) is amended to read as follows:

22 “(B) ‘control’ means the power, directly or indi-
23 rectly—

24 “(i) to direct the management or policies
25 of an insured depository institution; or

1 “(ii)(I) with respect to an insured deposi-
2 tory institution, of a person to vote 25 per cen-
3 tum or more of any class of voting securities of
4 such institution; or

5 “(II) with respect to an insured depository
6 institution that is an impact bank (as des-
7 ignated pursuant to section 5 of the Ensuring
8 Diversity in Community Banking Act of 2019)
9 or a minority depository institution (as defined
10 in section 308(b) of the Financial Institutions
11 Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of
12 1989), of an individual to vote 30 percent of
13 more of any class of voting securities of such an
14 impact bank or a minority depository institu-
15 tion.”.

16 (b) RULEMAKING.—The appropriate Federal banking
17 agency (as defined in section 3 of the Federal Deposit In-
18 surance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813)) shall jointly issue rules for
19 de novo minority depository institutions and de novo im-
20 pact banks (as designated pursuant to section 5) to allow
21 3 years to meet the capital requirements otherwise appli-
22 cable to minority depository institutions and impact
23 banks.

24 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
25 of the enactment of this Act, the appropriate Federal

1 banking agencies shall jointly submit to Congress a report
2 on—

3 (1) the principal causes for the low number of
4 de novo minority depository institutions during the
5 10-year period preceding the date of the report;

6 (2) the main challenges to the creation of de
7 novo minority depository institutions and de novo
8 impact banks; and

9 (3) regulatory and legislative considerations to
10 promote the establishment of de novo minority de-
11 pository institutions and de novo impact banks.

12 **SEC. 11. REQUIREMENT TO MENTOR MINORITY DEPOSI-**
13 **TORY INSTITUTIONS OR COMMUNITY DEVEL-**
14 **OPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO SERVE**
15 **AS A DEPOSITORY OR FINANCIAL AGENT.**

16 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Before a large financial institu-
17 tion may be employed as a financial agent of the Depart-
18 ment of the Treasury or perform any reasonable duties
19 as depository of public moneys of the Department of the
20 Treasury, the large financial institution shall demonstrate
21 participation as a mentor in a covered mentor-protege pro-
22 gram to a protege firm that is a minority depository insti-
23 tution or a community development financial institution.

24 (b) **REPORT.**—Not later than 6 months after the date
25 of the enactment of this Act and annually thereafter, the

1 Secretary of the Treasury shall submit to Congress a re-
2 port on participants in a covered mentor-protege program,
3 including an analysis of outcomes of such program.

4 (c) PROCEDURES.—The Secretary of the Treasury
5 shall publish procedures for compliance with the require-
6 ments of this section for large financial institutions.

7 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

8 (1) COVERED MENTOR-PROTEGE PROGRAM.—
9 The term “covered mentor-protege program” means
10 a mentor-protege program established by the Sec-
11 retary of the Treasury pursuant to section 45 of the
12 Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 657r).

13 (2) LARGE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.—The term
14 “large financial institution” means any entity—

15 (A) regulated by the Comptroller of the
16 Currency, the Board of Governors of the Fed-
17 eral Reserve System, the Federal Deposit In-
18 surance Corporation, or the National Credit
19 Union Administration; and

20 (B) that has total consolidated assets
21 greater than or equal to \$50,000,000,000.

1 **SEC. 12. CUSTODIAL DEPOSIT PROGRAM FOR COVERED MI-**
2 **NORITY DEPOSITORY INSTITUTIONS AND IM-**
3 **PACT BANKS.**

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of the Treas-
5 ury shall establish a custodial deposit program (in this sec-
6 tion referred to as the “Program”) under which a covered
7 bank shall receive monthly deposits from a qualifying ac-
8 count.

9 (b) APPLICATION.—A covered bank shall submit to
10 the Secretary an application to participate in the Program
11 at such time, in such manner, and containing such infor-
12 mation as the Secretary may determine.

13 (c) PROGRAM OPERATIONS.—

14 (1) DESIGNATION OF CUSTODIAL ENTITIES.—
15 The Secretary shall designate eligible custodial enti-
16 ties to make monthly deposits with covered banks se-
17 lected for participation in the Program on behalf of
18 a qualifying account.

19 (2) CUSTODIAL ACCOUNTS.—

20 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall es-
21 tablish a custodial deposit account for each
22 qualifying account with the eligible custodial en-
23 tity designated to make deposits with covered
24 banks for each such qualifying account.

25 (B) AMOUNT.—The Secretary shall deposit
26 a total amount not greater than 5 percent of a

1 qualifying account into any custodial deposit ac-
2 counts established under subparagraph (A).

3 (C) DEPOSITS WITH PROGRAM PARTICI-
4 PANTS.—

5 (i) MONTHLY DEPOSITS.—Each
6 month, each eligible custodial entity des-
7 ignated by the Secretary shall deposit an
8 amount not greater than the insured
9 amount, in the aggregate, from each custo-
10 dial deposit account, in a single covered
11 bank.

12 (ii) LIMITATION.—With respect to the
13 funds of an individual qualifying account,
14 the eligible custodial entity may not de-
15 posit an amount greater than the insured
16 amount in a single covered bank.

17 (iii) INSURED AMOUNT DEFINED.—In
18 this subparagraph, the term “insured
19 amount” means the amount that is the
20 greater of—

21 (I) the standard maximum de-
22 posit insurance amount (as defined in
23 section 11(a)(1)(E) of the Federal
24 Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C.
25 1821(a)(1)(E))); or

1 (II) such higher amount nego-
2 tiated between the Secretary and the
3 Corporation under which the Corpora-
4 tion will insure all deposits of such
5 higher amount.

6 (D) LIMITATIONS.—The total amount of
7 funds deposited under the Program in a covered
8 bank may not exceed the lesser of—

9 (i) 10 percent of the average amount
10 of deposits held by such covered bank in
11 the previous quarter; or

12 (ii) \$100,000,000.

13 (3) INTEREST.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—Each eligible custodial
15 entity designated by the Secretary shall—

16 (i) collect interest from each covered
17 bank in which such custodial entity depos-
18 its funds pursuant to paragraph (2); and

19 (ii) disburse such interest to the Sec-
20 retary each month.

21 (B) INTEREST RATE.—The rate of any in-
22 terest collected under this paragraph may not
23 exceed 50 percent of the discount window pri-
24 mary credit interest rate most recently pub-
25 lished on the Federal Reserve Statistical Re-

1 lease on selected interest rates (daily or week-
2 ly), commonly referred to as the H.15 release
3 (commonly known as the “Federal funds rate”).

4 (4) STATEMENTS.—Each eligible custodial enti-
5 ty designated by the Secretary shall submit to the
6 Secretary monthly statements that include the total
7 amount of funds deposited with, and interest rate
8 received from, each covered bank by the eligible cus-
9 todial entity on behalf of qualifying entities.

10 (5) RECORDS.—The Secretary shall issue a
11 quarterly report to Congress and make publicly
12 available a record identifying all covered banks
13 participating in the Program and amounts depos-
14 ited under the Program in covered banks.

15 (d) REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO DEPOSITS.—De-
16 posits made with covered banks under this section may
17 not—

18 (1) be considered by the Corporation to be
19 funds obtained, directly or indirectly, by or through
20 any deposit broker for deposit into 1 or more deposit
21 accounts (as described under section 29 of the Fed-
22 eral Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1831f)); or

23 (2) be subject to insurance fees from the Cor-
24 poration that are greater than insurance fees for
25 typical demand deposits not obtained, directly or in-

1 directly, by or through any deposit broker (com-
2 monly known as “core deposits”).

3 (e) MODIFICATIONS.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall provide
5 a 3-month period for public notice and comment be-
6 fore making any material change to the operation of
7 the Program.

8 (2) EXCEPTION.—The requirements of para-
9 graph (1) shall not apply if the Secretary makes a
10 material change to the Program to comply with safe-
11 ty and soundness standards or other law.

12 (f) TERMINATION.—

13 (1) BY COVERED BANK.—A covered bank se-
14 lected for participation in the Program pursuant to
15 subsection (c) may terminate participation in the
16 Program by providing the Secretary a notification
17 60 days prior to termination.

18 (2) BY SECRETARY.—The Secretary may termi-
19 nate the participation of a covered bank in the Pro-
20 gram if the Secretary determines the covered bank—

21 (A) violated any terms of participation in
22 the Program;

23 (B) failed to comply with Federal bank se-
24 crecy laws, as documented in writing by the pri-
25 mary regulator of the covered bank;

1 (C) failed to remain well capitalized; or

2 (D) failed comply with safety and sound-
3 ness standards, as documented in writing by
4 the primary regulator of the covered bank.

5 (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) CORPORATION.—The term “Corporation”
7 means the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

8 (2) COVERED BANK.—The term “covered bank”
9 means—

10 (A) a minority depository institution that
11 is regulated by the Corporation or the National
12 Credit Union Administration that is well cap-
13 italized (as defined in section 38(b) of the Fed-
14 eral Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C.
15 1831o(b))); or

16 (B) a depository institution designated
17 pursuant to section 5 of the Ensuring Diversity
18 in Community Banking Act of 2019 that is well
19 capitalized (as defined in section 38(b) of the
20 Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C.
21 1831o(b))).

22 (3) ELIGIBLE CUSTODIAL ENTITY.—The term
23 “eligible custodial entity” means—

1 (A) an insured depository institution (as
2 defined in section 3 of the Federal Deposit In-
3 surance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813)),

4 (B) an insured credit union (as defined in
5 section 101 of the Federal Credit Union Act
6 (12 U.S.C. 1752)), or

7 (C) or a well capitalized State-chartered
8 trust company,
9 designated by the Secretary under subsection (c)(1).

10 (4) FEDERAL BANK SECRECY LAWS.—The term
11 “Federal bank secrecy laws” means—

12 (A) section 21 of the Federal Deposit In-
13 surance Act (12 U.S.C. 1829b);

14 (B) section 123 of Public Law 91–508;
15 and

16 (C) subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31,
17 United States Code.

18 (5) QUALIFYING ACCOUNT.—The term “quali-
19 fying account” means any account established in the
20 Department of the Treasury that—

21 (A) is controlled by the Secretary; and

22 (B) is expected to maintain a balance
23 greater than \$200,000,000 for the following
24 calendar month.

1 (6) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
2 the Secretary of the Treasury.

3 (7) WELL CAPITALIZED.—The term “well cap-
4 italized” has the meaning given in section 38 of the
5 Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1831o).

6 **SEC. 13. STREAMLINED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FI-**
7 **NANCIAL INSTITUTION APPLICATIONS AND**
8 **REPORTING.**

9 (a) APPLICATION PROCESSES.—Not later than 12
10 months after the date of the enactment of this Act and
11 with respect to any person having assets under
12 \$3,000,000,000 that submits an application for deposit in-
13 surance with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
14 that could also become a community development financial
15 institution, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, in
16 consultation with the Administrator of the Community
17 Development Financial Institutions Fund, shall—

18 (1) develop systems and procedures to record
19 necessary information to allow the Administrator to
20 conduct preliminary analysis for such person to also
21 become a community development financial institu-
22 tion; and

23 (2) develop procedures to streamline the appli-
24 cation and annual certification processes and to re-
25 duce costs for such person to become, and maintain

1 certification as, a community development financial
2 institution that serves low- and moderate-income
3 neighborhoods (as defined under the Community Re-
4 investment Act of 1977 (12 U.S.C. 2901 et seq.)).

5 (b) REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than
6 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act,
7 the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation shall submit
8 to Congress a report describing the systems and proce-
9 dures required under subsection (a).

10 (c) ANNUAL REPORT.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 17(a)(1) of the Fed-
12 eral Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1827(a)(1))
13 is amended—

14 (A) in subparagraph (E), by striking
15 “and” at the end;

16 (B) by redesignating subparagraph (F) as
17 subparagraph (G);

18 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (E)
19 the following new subparagraph:

20 “(F) applicants for deposit insurance that
21 could also become a community development fi-
22 nancial institution (as defined in section 103 of
23 the Riegle Community Development and Regu-
24 latory Improvement Act of 1994), a minority
25 depository institution (as defined in section 308

1 of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery,
2 and Enforcement Act of 1989), or an impact
3 bank (as designated pursuant to section 5 of
4 the Ensuring Diversity in Community Banking
5 Act of 2019); and”.

6 (2) APPLICATION.—The amendment made by
7 this subsection shall apply with respect to the first
8 report to be submitted after the date that is 2 years
9 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

10 **SEC. 14. TASK FORCE ON LENDING TO SMALL BUSINESS**
11 **CONCERNS.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 6 months after the
13 date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of
14 the Small Business Administration shall establish a task
15 force to examine methods for improving relationships be-
16 tween the Small Business Administration and community
17 development financial institutions, minority depository in-
18 stitutions, and Impact Banks to increase the volume of
19 loans provided by such institutions to small business con-
20 cerns (as defined under section 3 of the Small Business
21 Act (15 U.S.C. 632)).

22 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 18
23 months after the establishment of the task force described
24 in subsection (a), the Administrator of the Small Business

- 1 Administration shall submit to Congress a report on the
- 2 findings of such task force.