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To amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to expand access to capital for rural-area small businesses, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 11, 2025

Mr. DOWNING (for himself, Ms. BYNUM, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, and Mr. PAPPAS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Expanding Access to Capital for Rural Job Creators Act''.

SEC. 2. ACCESS TO CAPITAL FOR RURAL-AREA SMALL BUSINESSES.

Section 4(j) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78d(j)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (4)(C), by inserting ''rural-area small businesses,'' after ''women-owned small businesses,''; and

(2) in paragraph (6)(B)(iii), by inserting ''rural-area small businesses,'' after ''women-owned small businesses,''.

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