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H. R. 1782

To amend the Trade Act of 1974 to provide for the position of Assistant United States Trade Representative for Small Business.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 9, 2001

Mr. MANZULLO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Small Business Export
5 Enhancement Act of 2001”.

6 **SEC. 2. ASSISTANT USTR FOR SMALL BUSINESS.**

7 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF POSITION.—Section 141(c)
8 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2171(c)) is amended
9 by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

1 “(6)(A) There is established in the Office the position
2 of Assistant United States Trade Representative for Small
3 Business. The Assistant United States Trade Representa-
4 tive for Small Business shall be appointed by the United
5 States Trade Representative.

6 “(B) The primary function of the Assistant United
7 States Trade Representative for Small Business shall be
8 to promote the trade interests of small businesses, to re-
9 move foreign trade barriers that impede small business ex-
10 porters, and to enforce existing trade agreements bene-
11 ficial to small businesses. The Assistant United States
12 Trade Representative for Small Business shall be a vig-
13 orous advocate on behalf of small businesses. In carrying
14 out that advocacy function, the Assistant United States
15 Trade Representative for Small Business shall conduct
16 meetings throughout the United States on a regular basis
17 in order to solicit views and recommendations from small
18 business exporters in the formulation of trade policy. The
19 Assistant United States Trade Representative for Small
20 Business shall perform such other functions as the United
21 States Trade Representative may direct.

22 “(C) The Assistant United States Trade Representa-
23 tive for Small Business shall be paid at the level of a mem-

1 ber of the Senior Executive Service with equivalent time
2 and service.”.

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