^{115TH CONGRESS} 2D SESSION H.R.4792

To amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to expand access to capital for small businesses affected by hurricanes or other natural disasters, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 12, 2018

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ 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.

4 This Act may be cited as the "Small Business Access

5 to Capital After a Natural Disaster Act".

6 SEC. 2. EXPANDING ACCESS TO CAPITAL FOR SMALL BUSI-

NESSES IMPACTED BY A NATURAL DISASTER.

8 Section 4 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15

9 U.S.C. 78d) is amended—

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(1) in subsection (j)(4)(C), by striking "minor-1 2 ity-owned and women-owned small businesses" and inserting "minority-owned small businesses, women-3 owned small businesses, and small businesses af-4 fected by hurricanes or other natural disasters"; and 5 (2) in subsection (j)(6)(B)(iii), by striking "mi-6 nority-owned and women-owned small businesses" 7 and inserting "minority-owned small businesses, 8 women-owned small businesses, and small businesses 9 affected by hurricanes or other natural disasters". 10

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