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and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HILL (for himself, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, and Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas) 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 Lenders Exempt
5 from New Data and Excessive Reporting Act” or the
6 “Small LENDER Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. SMALL BUSINESS LOAN DATA COLLECTION.**

8 Section 704B of the Equal Credit Opportunity Act
9 (15 U.S.C. 1691c–2) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (g), by adding at the end the
2 following:

3 “(4) COMPLIANCE.—

4 “(A) IN GENERAL.—With respect to any
5 rules or guidance issued under this subsection
6 on or after the date of the enactment of this
7 paragraph, the Bureau shall provide financial
8 institutions not less than 3 years to comply
9 with such rule or guidance.

10 “(B) SAFE HARBOR.—With respect to any
11 rules or guidance issued under this subsection
12 on or after the date of the enactment of this
13 paragraph, upon the 3-year period described in
14 subparagraph (A), the Bureau shall provide a
15 2-year safe harbor to all financial institutions
16 during which the financial institutions are re-
17 quired to comply with the rule or guidance but
18 not subject to any penalties.”; and

19 (2) in subsection (h)—

20 (A) by striking paragraph (1) and insert-
21 ing the following:

22 “(1) FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.—The term ‘fi-
23 nancial institution’ means—

24 “(A) any partnership, company, corpora-
25 tion, association (incorporated or unincor-

1 porated), trust, estate, cooperative organization,
2 or other entity that engages in any financial ac-
3 tivity; and

4 “(B) in each of the two preceding calendar
5 years, originated not less than 500 credit trans-
6 actions for small businesses.”; and

7 (B) by striking paragraph (2) and insert-
8 ing the following:

9 “(2) SMALL BUSINESS.—The term ‘small busi-
10 ness’ means any entity with gross annual revenues
11 of \$1,000,000 or less in the most recently completed
12 fiscal year.”.

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