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H. R. 755

To amend the Social Security Act to require a certification that States and units of local governments will not impact the operations of a small business concern to receive funds from the Coronavirus Relief Fund, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 3, 2021

Mr. GOOD of Virginia (for himself, Mr. BANKS, Mrs. BOEBERT, Mr. GAETZ, and Mr. MOORE of Alabama) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

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 “Right to Earn a Living
5 Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. CERTIFICATION TO RECEIVE FUNDS FROM**
2 **CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND.**

3 Section 601 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
4 801) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsections (f) and (g) as
6 subsections (g) and (h), respectively;

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-
8 lowing new subsection:

9 “(f) **CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT TO KEEP SMALL**
10 **BUSINESS CONCERNS OPEN.**—

11 “(1) **IN GENERAL.**—In order to receive a pay-
12 ment under this section, a State or unit of local gov-
13 ernment shall provide the Secretary with a certifi-
14 cation signed by the Chief Executive of such State
15 or unit of local government that such Chief Execu-
16 tive shall not implement an order, without legislative
17 action by the State or unit of local government,
18 that—

19 “(A) prevents a small business concern
20 from operating; or

21 “(B) places limitations on the hours or oc-
22 cupancy of a small business concern.

23 “(2) **APPLICABILITY.**—The certification re-
24 quired under paragraph (1) shall apply to any re-
25 ceipt of funds after the date of the enactment of the
26 ‘Right to Earn a Living Act of 2021’.”; and

1 (3) in subsection (h), as redesignated by para-
2 graph (1), by inserting the following new paragraph:

3 “(6) SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN.—The term
4 ‘small business concern’ has the meaning given such
5 term under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15
6 U.S.C. 632).”.

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