

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5661

To amend the microloan program of the Small Business Act to define State,
and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2023

Mr. SABLAN (for himself and Mrs. RADEWAGEN) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

A BILL

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Act to define State, and for other purposes.

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 “Northern Mariana Is-
5 lands Entrepreneurship Act of 2023”.

6 **SEC. 2. MICROLOAN PROGRAM; DEFINITIONS.**

7 Paragraph (11) of section 7(m) of the Small Business
8 Act (15 U.S.C. 636(m)(11)) is amended—

1 (1) in clause (ii) of subparagraph (C), by strik-
2 ing “rural” and all that follows through the end of
3 the clause and inserting “rural;”;

4 (2) in subparagraph (D), by striking the period
5 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

6 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
7 paragraph:

8 “(E) the term ‘State’ means each of the
9 several States, the District of Columbia, the
10 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Is-
11 lands of the United States, Guam, the Com-
12 monwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,
13 and American Samoa.”.

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