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# H. R. 561

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 28, 2021

Mr. LIEU (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. CASE, Miss RICE of New York, and Ms. CRAIG) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

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## 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 “Reopen Small Busi-  
5 nesses Safely Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. USE OF ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOAN PRO-**  
2 **CEEDS FOR COVERED WORKER PROTECTION**  
3 **EXPENDITURES.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 10 days after the  
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of  
6 the Small Business Administration shall issue such rules  
7 or guidance necessary to ensure that a borrower of a loan  
8 made under section 7(b)(2) of the Small Business Act (15  
9 U.S.C. 636(b)(2)) may use the proceeds of such loan for  
10 covered worker protection expenditures (as defined in sec-  
11 tion 7A(a) of the Small Business Act).

12 (b) **APPLICABILITY.**—This Act shall apply to a loan  
13 made under section 7(b)(2) of the Small Business Act (15  
14 U.S.C. 636(b)(2))—

15 (1) on or after the date of the enactment of this  
16 Act; or

17 (2) before the date of the enactment of this Act  
18 that is in repayment on such date of the enactment.

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