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H. R. 4569

To reauthorize the Interagency Committee on Women’s Business Enterprise,
and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 27, 2019

Ms. MENG (for herself, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, and Ms. HOULAHAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

A BILL

To reauthorize the Interagency Committee on Women’s
Business Enterprise, 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 “Interagency Committee
5 on Women’s Business Enterprise Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON WOMEN’S BUSINESS**
7 **ENTERPRISE.**

8 Title IV of the Women’s Business Ownership Act of
9 1988 (15 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.) is amended—

10 (1) in section 402 (15 U.S.C. 7102)—

1 (A) in subsection (a)—

2 (i) by striking paragraphs (2) and (5);

3 (ii) by redesignating paragraphs (3)

4 and (4) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respec-
5 tively;

6 (iii) in paragraph (2), as so redesign-
7 nated, by adding “and” at the end; and

8 (iv) in paragraph (3), as so redesign-
9 nated, by striking “; and” and inserting a
10 period;

11 (B) in subsection (b), by striking “bian-
12 nually” and inserting “quarterly”; and

13 (C) in subsection (c), in the first sentence,
14 by inserting “, including through the use of re-
15 search and policy developed by the Council”
16 after “Council”;

17 (2) in section 403 (15 U.S.C. 7103)—

18 (A) in subsection (a)—

19 (i) in paragraph (1), by adding at the
20 end the following:

21 “(K) The National Aeronautics and Space
22 Administration.

23 “(L) The Environmental Protection Agen-
24 cy.

25 “(M) The Council.”; and

1 (ii) in paragraph (2)—

2 (I) in subparagraph (A), by strik-
3 ing “Small Business Administration
4 Reauthorization Act of 1997” and in-
5 serting “Interagency Committee on
6 Women’s Business Enterprise Act of
7 2019”; and

8 (II) in subparagraph (B)—

9 (aa) by striking “Small
10 Business”; and

11 (bb) by striking “National
12 Women’s Business Council estab-
13 lished under section 405” and in-
14 serting “Council”; and

15 (B) by amending subsection (b) to read as
16 follows:

17 “(b) APPOINTMENT.—

18 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 45 days
19 after the date of enactment of the Interagency Com-
20 mittee on Women’s Business Enterprise Act of
21 2019, the President, in consultation with the Admin-
22 istrator, shall appoint one of the members of the
23 Interagency Committee to serve as chairperson.

24 “(2) VACANCY.—In the event that a chair-
25 person is not appointed within the time frame re-

1 quired under paragraph (1), the Deputy Adminis-
2 trator of the Small Business Administration shall
3 serve as acting chairperson of the Interagency Com-
4 mittee until a chairperson is appointed under para-
5 graph (1).”; and

6 (3) in section 404 (15 U.S.C. 7104)—

7 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
8 by striking “1995” and inserting “2019”;

9 (B) in paragraph (1), by adding “and” at
10 the end;

11 (C) in paragraph (2), by striking “; and”
12 and inserting a period; and

13 (D) by striking paragraph (3).

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