

119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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To amend the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 to reauthorize and improve the community development financial institutions bond guarantee program, and for other purposes.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. SMITH introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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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 “CDFI Bond Guarantee  
5       Program Improvement Act of 2025”.

6       **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

7       It is the sense of Congress that the authority to guar-  
8       antee bonds under section 114A of the Community Devel-

1 opment Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994  
2 (12 U.S.C. 4713a) (commonly referred to as the “CDFI  
3 Bond Guarantee Program”) provides community develop-  
4 ment financial institutions with a sustainable source of  
5 long-term capital and furthers the mission of the Commu-  
6 nity Development Financial Institutions Fund (established  
7 under section 104(a) of such Act (12 U.S.C. 4703(a)) to  
8 increase economic opportunity and promote community  
9 development investments for underserved populations and  
10 distressed communities in the United States.

11 **SEC. 3. GUARANTEES FOR BONDS AND NOTES ISSUED FOR**  
12 **COMMUNITY OR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
13 **PURPOSES.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 114A of the Community  
15 Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of  
16 1994 (12 U.S.C. 4713a) is amended—

17 (1) in subsection (c)(2), by striking “, multi-  
18 plied by an amount equal to the outstanding prin-  
19 cipal balance of issued notes or bonds”;

20 (2) by amending subsection (e)(2) to read as  
21 follows:

22 “(2) LIMITATION ON GUARANTEE AMOUNT.—  
23 The Secretary may not guarantee any amount under  
24 the program equal to less than \$25,000,000, but the

1 total of all such guarantees in any fiscal year may  
2 not exceed \$1,000,000,000.”; and

3 (3) in subsection (k), by striking “September  
4 30, 2014” and inserting “the date that is 4 years  
5 after the date of enactment of the CDFI Bond  
6 Guarantee Program Improvement Act of 2025”.

7 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents  
8 in section 1(b) of the Riegle Community Development and  
9 Regulatory Improvement Act of 1994 (Public Law 103–  
10 315; 108 Stat. 2160) is amended by inserting after the  
11 item relating to section 114 the following:

“Sec. 114A. Guarantees for bonds and notes issued for community or economic  
development purposes.”.

12 **SEC. 4. REPORT ON THE CDFI BOND GUARANTEE PRO-**  
13 **GRAM.**

14 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment  
15 of this Act, and not later than 3 years after such date  
16 of enactment, the Secretary of the Treasury shall issue  
17 a report to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and  
18 Urban Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Finan-  
19 cial Services of the House of Representatives on the effec-  
20 tiveness of the CDFI bond guarantee program established  
21 under section 114A of the Community Development Bank-  
22 ing and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 (12 U.S.C.  
23 4713a).