

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, S. 1687, With an Amendment
**(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a
new text)**

117TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. 1687

AN ACT

To amend section 21 of the Small Business Act to require cyber certification for small business development center counselors, 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 “Small Business Cyber
5 Training Act of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. DUTIES OF SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CEN-**
7 **TER COUNSELORS.**

8 (a) CYBER TRAINING.—Section 21 of the Small Busi-
9 ness Act (15 U.S.C. 648) is amended by adding at the
10 end the following:

11 “(o) CYBER STRATEGY TRAINING FOR SMALL BUSI-
12 NESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS.—

13 “(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—

1 “(A) the term ‘cyber strategy’ means re-
2 sources and tactics to assist in planning for cy-
3 bersecurity and defending against cyber risks
4 and attacks; and

5 “(B) the term ‘lead small business develop-
6 ment center’ means a small business develop-
7 ment center that receives reimbursement from
8 the Administrator under paragraph (5).

9 “(2) CERTIFICATION PROGRAM.—The Adminis-
10 trator shall establish a cyber counseling certification
11 program, or designate 1 or more substantially simi-
12 lar governmental or private cybersecurity certifi-
13 cation programs, to certify the employees of lead
14 small business development centers in providing
15 cyber planning assistance to small business concerns.

16 “(3) NUMBER OF CERTIFIED EMPLOYEES.—
17 The Administrator shall ensure that the number of
18 employees of each lead small business development
19 center who are certified in providing cyber planning
20 assistance is not less than the lesser of—

21 “(A) 5; or

22 “(B) 10 percent of the total number of em-
23 ployees of the lead small business development
24 center.

1 “(4) CYBER STRATEGY.—In carrying out para-
2 graph (2), the Administrator, to the extent prac-
3 ticable, shall consider any cyber strategy methods in-
4 cluded in the Small Business Development Center
5 Cyber Strategy developed under section
6 1841(a)(3)(B) of the National Defense Authoriza-
7 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328;
8 130 Stat. 2662).

9 “(5) REIMBURSEMENT FOR CERTIFICATION.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the avail-
11 ability of appropriations, the Administrator may
12 reimburse each lead small business development
13 center for costs relating to the certification of
14 1 or more employees of the lead small business
15 center in providing cyber planning assistance
16 under a program established or designated
17 under paragraph (2).

18 “(B) LIMITATION.—The total amount re-
19 imbursed by the Administrator under subpara-
20 graph (A) may not exceed \$350,000 in any fis-
21 cal year.”.

22 (b) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 180 days
23 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator
24 of the Small Business Administration shall implement

- 1 paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of section 21(o) of the Small
- 2 Business Act, as added by subsection (a).