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Government Business Opportunities

Action on Small Businesses

Sponsorship:

- H.R. 1873, the Small Business Fairness in Contracting Act

- H.R. 2359, the SBA Entrepreneurial Development Programs Act of 2007

Co-sponsorship:

- H.R. 1361, RECOVER Act

- H.R. 2284, would amend the Small Business Act to expand and improve the assistance provided by Small Business Development Centers to Indian tribe members, Alaska natives, and Native Hawaiians

- HR 2366, SBA Veterans' Programs Act of 2007
- HR 2397, SBA Women's Business Programs Act of 2007
- HR 2992, SBA Trade Programs Act of 2007

Committee Hearings:

- February 7, 2008--"SBA's Budget for FY09"

- January 29, 2008--"SBIR: America's National Technology Development Incubator"
- January 23, 2008--"Limited Health Care Options for Small Business in the Small Group Market"
- January 17, 2008--"Oversight of the U.S. Export-Import Bank's Implementation of its Small Business Mandate"
- January 16, 2008--"SBA's Progress in Implementing the Women's Procurement Program"

District Witnesses:

- March 21, 2007--Brought Karyl Smith of Waverly to testify before the Subcommittee on Contracting and Technology
- July 18, 2007--Brought Matt Osterhaus of Maquoketa to testify before the House Small Business Committee
- July 25, 2007--Mary Jo Bonifas of Dubuque to testify before the House Small Business Committee