

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4305, AS REPORTED

OFFERED BY M____.

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Cut the Burden, Keep
3 the Benefits Act”.

4 SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF HOTLINE.

5 Section 203 of Public Law 94–305 (15 U.S.C. 634c)
6 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
7 section:

8 “(c) HOTLINE.—

9 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180
10 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
11 Chief Counsel for Advocacy shall—

12 “(A) operate and maintain an email ad-
13 dress to be known as the ‘Cut the Burden,
14 Keep the Benefits Hotline’ (in this subsection
15 referred to as the ‘Hotline’) to receive notifica-
16 tions from small businesses, small organiza-
17 tions, and small governmental jurisdictions re-
18 lating to Government actions affecting such

1 small businesses, small organizations, or small
2 governmental jurisdictions;

3 “(B) establish a website providing the
4 email address or including a submission form or
5 phone number in a manner that is easily acces-
6 sible; and

7 “(C) solicit information from small busi-
8 nesses, small organizations, and small govern-
9 mental jurisdictions related to Government ac-
10 tions, and when there is a notification related
11 to a rule that will have a significant economic
12 impact on a substantial number of small busi-
13 nesses, small organizations, or small govern-
14 mental jurisdictions, or any combination there-
15 of, consider regulatory alternatives that will
16 achieve the goal of the agency with respect to
17 such action while minimizing the burden on
18 such entities.

19 “(2) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the
20 date of the enactment of this subsection, and annu-
21 ally thereafter, the Chief Counsel for Advocacy shall
22 submit to the Administrator of the Small Business
23 Administration and Congress a report on the Hot-
24 line that includes—

1 “(A) the Government actions for which
2 Hotline notifications are most frequently re-
3 ceived, including the affected industry sectors
4 for such Government actions;

5 “(B) for each such Government action that
6 is a rule—

7 “(i) the dollar amount of the regu-
8 latory benefits of such rule as determined
9 by—

10 “(I) the Director of the Office of
11 Management and Budget in the most
12 recent report containing an analysis of
13 such rule submitted by the Director
14 under section 624 of the Treasury
15 and General Government Appropria-
16 tions Act of 2001 (Public Law 106-
17 554; 31 U.S.C. 1105 note); or

18 “(II) the agency that issued such
19 rule; and

20 “(ii) if the dollar amount described in
21 clause (i) is determined by the agency that
22 issued such rule, a description by the agen-
23 cy of the regulatory benefits of such rule in
24 qualitative or monetized terms;

1 “(C) a summary of all the Hotline notifica-
2 tions received, including, for each such Hotline
3 notification, whether the notification is related
4 to a rule or other Government action and the
5 geographic area and the type of organization or
6 affected industry from which the Hotline notifi-
7 cation was sent;

8 “(D) an identification of—

9 “(i) each type of entity, disaggregated
10 by small businesses, small organizations,
11 small governmental jurisdictions, and rep-
12 resentatives of such entities, that sub-
13 mitted a Hotline notification, and the rule
14 for which each entity submitted such noti-
15 fication; and

16 “(ii) each Government action for
17 which such entity submitted a Hotline no-
18 tification;

19 “(E) recommendations for Government ac-
20 tions that minimize of such Government actions
21 the burden on small businesses, small organiza-
22 tions, and small governmental jurisdictions; and

23 “(F) a summary of actions taken by the
24 Chief Counsel to address the Government ac-
25 tions described in subparagraph (A) and the

1 Hotline notifications described in subparagraph
2 (C), including any such Government actions or
3 notifications for which the Chief Counsel sub-
4 mitted comments or analyses.

5 “(3) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—

6 “(A) the term ‘Government action’ means
7 an action by the Federal Government, including
8 rules, executive orders, statutes, regulations,
9 and presidential proclamations; and

10 “(B) the terms ‘rule’, ‘small business’,
11 ‘small organization’, and ‘small governmental
12 jurisdiction’ have the meanings given such
13 terms, respectively, in section 601 of title 5,
14 United States Code.”.

