STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Ms. BALDWIN):

S. 3918. A bill to modify the calculation of the maximum loan amount for certain farmers and ranchers under the paycheck protection program of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 3918

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Paycheck Protection for Producers Act''.

SEC. 2. CALCULATION OF MAXIMUM LOAN AMOUNT FOR FARMERS AND RANCHERS UNDER THE PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7(a)(36) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(a)(36)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (E), in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking ''During'' and inserting ''Except as provided in subparagraph (T), during''; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

''(T) CALCULATION OF MAXIMUM LOAN AMOUNT FOR FARMERS AND RANCHERS.—

''(i) DEFINITION.—In this subparagraph, the term 'covered recipient' means an eligible recipient that—

''(I) operates as a sole proprietorship or as an independent contractor, or is an eligible self-employed individual;

''(II) reports farm income or expenses on a Schedule F (or any equivalent successor schedule); and

''(III) was in business during the period beginning on February 15, 2019 and ending on June 30, 2019.

''(ii) NO EMPLOYEES.—With respect to covered recipient without employees, the maximum covered loan amount shall be the lesser of—

''(I) the sum of—

''(aa) the product obtained by multiplying—

''(AA) the gross income of the covered recipient in 2019, as reported on a Schedule F (or any equivalent successor schedule), that is not more than $100,000, divided by 12; and

''(BB) 2.5; and

''(bb) the outstanding amount of a loan under subsection (b)(2) that was made during the period beginning on January 31, 2020 and ending on April 3, 2020 that the borrower intends to refinance under the covered loan, not including any amount of any advance under the loan that is not required to be repaid; or

''(II) $10,000,000.

''(iii) WITH EMPLOYEES.—With respect to a covered recipient with employees, the maximum covered loan amount shall be calculated using the formula described in subparagraph (E), except that the gross income of the covered recipient described in clause (ii)(I)(aa)(AA) of this subparagraph, as divided by 12, shall be added to the sum calculated under subparagraph (E)(i)(I).

''(iv) RECALCULATION.—A lender that made a covered loan to a covered recipient before the date of enactment of this subparagraph may, at the request of the covered recipient—

''(I) recalculate the maximum loan amount applicable to that covered loan based on the formula described in clause (ii) or (iii), as applicable, if doing so would result in a larger covered loan amount; and

''(II) provide the covered recipient with additional covered loan amounts based on that recalculation.''.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 3924. A bill to provide tax credits to low- to moderate-income individuals for certain computer and education costs, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to modify the requirements for the Lifeline program to provide increased support, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 3924

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Computer and Internet Access Equity Act''.

SEC. 2. INCREASED LIFELINE SUPPORT.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COMMISSION.—The term ''Commission'' means the Federal Communications Commission.

(2) TERMS DEFINED IN REGULATIONS.—The terms defined in section 54.400 of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation), have the meanings given those terms in that section.

(b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 14 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall promulgate regulations to modify the requirements for the Lifeline program set forth in subpart E of part 54 of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the date of enactment of this Act) to provide for the following:

(1) The amount of Lifeline support that a provider of Lifeline service may receive for providing such service to each qualifying low-income consumer shall be increased by the lesser of—

(A) $83.33 per month; or

(B) the amount needed to make the amount of Lifeline support received by the provider equal to the cost of providing such service, except that such cost may not exceed the cost to the provider of providing an equivalent level of voice telephony service or broadband internet access service (as applicable) to a consumer who does not receive Lifeline service.

(2) The percentage of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (as specified in section 54.409(a) of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations) at or below which a consumer's household income must be in order for the consumer to constitute a qualifying low-income consumer on the basis of income shall be increased to 435 percent.

(3) A provider of broadband internet access service shall not be required to be designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier under section 214(e) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 214(e)) in order to receive Lifeline support for providing such service to a qualifying low-income consumer.

(c) DURATION.—The modifications made by the regulations promulgated under subsection (b) shall cease to have any force or effect on the date that is 12 years after the date on which the regulations are promulgated.

(d) CONSUMER PROTECTIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—A provider of broadband internet access service that receives Lifeline support for providing such service to a qualified low-income consumer—

(A) shall provide such service to the consumer at a minimum speed of 25 megabits per second for downloads and 3 megabits per second for uploads, which minimum speed shall be reevaluated and, if appropriate, increased by the Commission not less frequently than once every 3 years;

(B) shall provide a level of customer service to the consumer that is comparable to the customer service that the provider provides to consumers of broadband internet access service who do not receive Lifeline service;

(C) shall offer such service to each qualified low-income consumer in the designated service area of the provider; and

(D)(i) shall advertise the availability of such service and the charges therefor using media of general distribution throughout the designated service area of the provider to increase awareness among consumers (including non-English speaking consumers) that they may be eligible for such service; and

(ii) may partner with State agencies responsible for the provision of social assistance and service programs in conducting advertising under clause (i).

(2) DESIGNATED SERVICE AREA.—A State commission or the Commission, as applicable, shall establish a designated service area for a provider of broadband internet access service described in paragraph (1) for purposes of that paragraph in the same manner as the State commission or Commission establishes a designated service area for a common carrier under paragraph (5) or (6), as applicable, of section 214(e) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 214(e)).

SEC. 3. INTERNET EDUCATION AND TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COMMISSION.—The term ''Commission'' means the Federal Communications Commission.

(2) COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION.—The term ''community-based organization'' has the meaning given the term in section 3 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3102).

(3) DIGITAL LITERACY.—The term ''digital literacy'' means the skills associated with using technology.

(4) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ''eligible entity'' means—

(A) a nonprofit organization;

(B) a not-for-profit social welfare organization; or

(C) a community-based organization.

(5) FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES.—The term ''Federal Poverty Guidelines'' means the Federal Poverty Guidelines used for purposes of section 54.409(a)(1) of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).

(6) HOUSEHOLD.—The term ''household'' has the meaning given the term in section 54.400 of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).

(7) INCOME.—The term ''income'' has the meaning given the term in section 54.400 of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).

(8) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.—The term ''nonprofit organization'' means an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code.

(9) NOT-FOR-PROFIT SOCIAL WELFARE ORGANIZATION.—The term ''not-for-profit social welfare organization'' means an organization described in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code.