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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 1, 2026

Mr. ALFORD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

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A BILL

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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 ''Faith and Rural Small Business Act''.

SEC. 2. OFFICE OF RURAL AFFAIRS AND CENTER FOR FAITH OF SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.

(a) OFFICE OF RURAL AFFAIRS.—Section 26(b) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 653(b)) is amended by striking ''a director'' and inserting ''an Assistant Administrator''.

(b) CENTER FOR FAITH.—The Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 631 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 26 the following:

''SEC. 26A. CENTER FOR FAITH.

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within the Office of Entrepreneurial Development of the Administration a Center for Faith.

''(b) DIRECTOR OF THE CENTER FOR FAITH.—The Center for Faith shall be headed by a Director who shall be appointed by the Administrator not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this section.''.

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