



## CBAI Applauds the Introduction of Legislation to Prohibit SBA Direct Lending

In a November 30, 2021, letter to Congressman Blaine Luetkemeyer (R-MO-3<sup>rd</sup>), Ranking Member of the House Small Business Committee, CBAI applauded his introduction of H.R. 6037 which would prohibit the Small Business Administration (SBA) from making direct loans under the 7(a) program.

Community banks and the SBA have traditionally enjoyed a long and cooperative relationship and the SBA has not competed with banks in lending to small businesses. SBA direct lending would undermine that beneficial relationship. Community banks are far superior at establishing and prudently underwriting commercial lending relationships. SBA direct lending will undoubtedly put billions of taxpayer dollars at risk of loss.

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