Ports as Small Business Incubators Act

The "Ports as Small Business Incubators Act" aims to help our ports give opportunities to entrepreneurs who need them most by fostering small businesses owned by women, veterans, and minorities, as well as encouraging small businesses dedicated to creating green jobs. This bill creates a grant program available to Port Authorities interested in creating their own small business incubators.

Joining two economic forces to strengthen our economy

• Ports support 13.3 million American jobs and generate \$3.15 trillion in economic activity, giving them a tremendous potential to foster economic growth. In 2005 alone, North American small business incubators assisted more than 27.00 companies that provided employment for more than 100,000 workers. A program combining these two forces will provide a much-needed boost to our recovering economy.