

Union Calendar No. 163

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3511

[Report No. 118-202]

To amend the Small Business Act to require training on increasing contract awards to small business concerns owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 18, 2023

Mr. LALOTA (for himself and Mr. MCGARVEY) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

Additional sponsors: Ms. LEE of Nevada, Mr. THANEDAR, and Mr. LAWLER

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Reported from the Committee on Small Business; committed to the Committee
of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Service-Disabled Vet-
5 eran Opportunities in Small Business Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. TRAINING ON INCREASING CONTRACT AWARDS TO**
7 **SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS OWNED AND**
8 **CONTROLLED BY SERVICE-DISABLED VET-**
9 **ERANS.**

10 Section 36 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
11 657f) is amended by adding at the end the following new
12 subsection:

13 “(j) TRAINING ON INCREASING CONTRACT AWARDS
14 TO SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS OWNED AND CON-
15 TROLLED BY SERVICE-DISABLED VETERANS.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator, in con-
17 sultation with the Office of Veterans Business Devel-
18 opment, shall provide to covered employees at each
19 Federal agency that has not met the goal established
20 under section 15(g)(1)(A)(ii) training on how to in-
21 crease the number of contracts awarded to small
22 business concerns owned and controlled by service-
23 disabled veterans.

24 “(2) GUIDANCE.—Not later than 180 days
25 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Ad-

1 administrator, in consultation with the Office of Vet-
2 erans Business Development, shall issue guidance
3 and best practices on increasing the number of con-
4 tracts awarded to small businesses owned and con-
5 trolled by service disabled veterans for Federal agen-
6 cies to which the goal established under section
7 15(g)(1)(A)(ii) applies.

8 “(3) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the
9 date of enactment of this Act, and annually there-
10 after, the Administration shall submit to Congress a
11 report detailing, for the fiscal year covered by the re-
12 port—

13 “(A) a list of each Federal agency that
14 failed to meet the goal established under section
15 15(g)(1)(A)(ii);

16 “(B) the number of trainings provided to
17 each Federal agency described in paragraph
18 (1); and

19 “(C) an overview of the content included in
20 such training sessions.”.

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