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H. R. 1410

To amend the Small Business Act to require the implementation of a data quality improvement plan, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 17, 2015

Mrs. RADEWAGEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

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. AMENDMENTS TO DATA QUALITY IMPROVE-**
4 **MENT PLAN.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 15(s) of the Small Busi-
6 ness Act (15. U.S.C. 644(s)) is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating paragraph (4) as para-
8 graph (6); and

9 (2) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-
10 lowing new paragraphs:

1 “(4) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than the
2 first day of fiscal year 2017, the Administrator of
3 the Small Business Administration shall implement
4 the plan described in this subsection. If the Adminis-
5 trator fails to implement the plan by such date, the
6 Administrator may not exercise the authority under
7 section 7(a)(25)(A) until the plan is implemented.

8 “(5) CERTIFICATION.—The Administrator shall
9 annually provide to the Committee on Small Busi-
10 ness of the House of Representatives and the Com-
11 mittee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of
12 the Senate certification of the accuracy and com-
13 pleteness of data reported on bundled and consoli-
14 dated contracts.”.

15 (b) GAO STUDY.—

16 (1) STUDY.—Not later than the first day of fis-
17 cal year 2018, the Comptroller General of the
18 United States shall initiate a study on the effective-
19 ness of the plan described in section 15(s) of the
20 Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 644(s)) that shall as-
21 sess whether contracts were accurately labeled as
22 bundled or consolidated.

23 (2) CONTRACTS EVALUATED.—For the pur-
24 poses of conducting the study described in para-

graph (1), the Comptroller General of the United States—

(A) shall evaluate, for work in each of sectors 23, 33, 54, and 56 (as defined by the North American Industry Classification System), not fewer than 100 contracts in each sector;

(B) shall evaluate only those contracts—

(i) awarded by an agency listed in section 901(b) of title 31, United States Code; and

(ii) that have a Base and Exercised Options Value, an Action Obligation, or a Base and All Options Value (as such terms are defined in the Federal procurement data system described in 41 U.S.C. 1222(a)(4)(A), or any successor system); and

(C) shall not evaluate contracts that have used any set aside authority.

(3) REPORT.—Not later than 12 months after initiating the study required by subparagraph (A), the Comptroller General of the United States shall report to the Committee on Small Business of the House of Representatives and the Committee on

1 Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate
2 on the results from such study and, if warranted,
3 any recommendations on how to improve the quality
4 of data reported on bundled and consolidated con-
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